

HE MET DEATH AT DUTY'S CALL

Acting Fire Chief Crushed by Falling Walls
in a Big Fire.

THIEVES ROBBED UNFORTUNATES

Three Men Take Sixty-Five Dollars from a Woman in a Hallway--Victims of Flames Fight to Retain Possession of Their Household Goods.

(Special By Scripps-McRae.)

New York, Dec. 22.—In a \$500,000 fire, which destroyed the interior of three buildings, one fireman lost his life, another cannot be found and a third was severely injured. Five hundred Italian families were driven in terror from their homes and an entire neighborhood for a half an hour resisted the persistent rushes of bands of petty thieves, in which one woman was held up and robbed of all her savings.

Martin Coleman, acting chief of the Sixth battalion, was the man to play with his life the penalty of his bravery. Holder of the gold medal for bravery on duty, he at last ventured too far and was crushed under falling walls. Richard Joyce, a probationary fireman, one week on active duty, is the missing man. He was not seen after the fall of the wall which buried the battalion chief.

Is Dragged From Death.
Lieutenant Henry Stickle is the injured man. Pinned beneath a heavy beam, he would have suffered a fate similar to that of Coleman had not Lieutenant Jones of his company and six men dragged him forth. While they were doing this, Fire Chaplain Smith, heedless of warnings, repeatedly dashed into the burning mass, searching for the body of the battalion chief. He ceased only when exhaustion came.

The building burned formed part of the cluster owned and occupied by H.

Hermann, manufacturer of furniture and dealer in dressed lumber, running from the northeast corner of Broom and Mott streets to 194 Mott street. The neighborhood is filled with tenement houses, populated almost entirely by Italian families. Running from 194 to the Spring street corner are five-story tenements; to the rear in Elizabeth street is a solid block of them.

The head of the H. Hermann company is the widow of the founder of the business. She, it is said, takes an active interest in its affairs and attends to her duties daily.

Thieves Reap Harvest.
To add to the confusion scores of horses in the livery stable of C. Adams in Mott street were turned loose and ran madly through the crowds. It was at this time the harvest of the thieves began, but it ended when Inspector Brooks and reserves arrived for the household effects of the already half-hysterical families, and, although they were bravely defended, many losses were reported.

An aged woman in Mott street was held in a hallway by three men and robbed of \$56. She was found unconscious by friends and taken away. An old man suffered a like fate in Elizabeth street, but when two young men caught Salvatore Russi of 214 Canal street and attempted to snatch his watch and scarf-pin, he fought, and Policeman Frank Palmer found Tony Flori and Raffaello Chiaratti in his embrace. They were locked up.

SHIP PASSENGERS REACH THE SHORE

One Thousand Voyagers on Wrecked Finland Are Safely Landed.

Flushing, Holland, Dec. 22.—The 1,000 passengers of the Red Star Line steamer Finland, which left Antwerp Saturday for New York and went ashore near here, have landed. The Finland is leaking and her cargo is being discharged. The work is progressing slowly, owing to lack of lighters.

MUSSELMEN ARE VERY MURDEROUS

Kill Judge and Armed Gendarmes in a Fight in Albania.

Gettinge, Montenegro, Dec. 22.—A Christian judge and two Christian gendarmes have been murdered by Musselmans at Gushnye, in northern Albania. The victims were recently appointed to their posts in conformity with the Macedonian reform scheme of Austria-Russia.

AUSTRALIA HAS LARGE HARVEST

The Total Yield of Wheat for Six States Will Break All Records.

Melbourne, Victoria, Dec. 22.—The harvest generally is turning out excellent. It is estimated the total yield of wheat for the six states will be 76,000,000 bushels. The previous record was 48,000,000 bushels.

TOTAL DEAD LIST REACHES TEN—ANOTHER VICTIM

Fort Scott Kansas Wreck Horror Still Grew in Numbers.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Fort Scott, Kan., Dec. 22.—Two more victims were added to the railway accident yesterday. B. F. Carroway reported dead is still alive.

Tuberculosis in Fish.

That fishes and frogs may have tuberculosis has been demonstrated in the Pasteur Institute in Paris. This is no cause for alarm, however, for they are found only in the infestious organs, would be killed in cooking anyway, and bacilli reared in a cold-blooded animal could not thrive if transferred to man.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

Fire destroyed the main buildings of H. Hermann Brothers' starch factory at Keokuk, Iowa. The loss is \$250,000; insurance, \$100,000.

James M. Edge, the bank teller who embezzled \$110,000 of the funds of the First National bank of Paterson, N. J., was sentenced to imprisonment of seven years in the Essex county penitentiary.

L. W. Horn, a farmer three miles southeast of Centerville, Iowa, shot and fatally wounded his wife in church, then fired a bullet in his own head. Jealousy was the cause, Horn fled. At daylight his body was found at Sedan.

Much excitement has been caused by reports from Auchey's Station, Schuykill county, Pa., of the discovery of beds of pure anthracite coal far beyond the limits of what has heretofore been considered the southern boundary of the hard coal region in Pennsylvania.

Letters addressed by children to Santa Claus are reaching the New York postoffice in larger numbers than ever before. They come from all parts of the country, even Alaska. The childish petitions are carefully set aside and will be forwarded to the dear letter office at Washington. The collection will weigh at least a ton.

Chinese laborers are rushing into Canada by the hundreds and on every steamer from the orient they are arriving en route to British Columbia. The cause of the sudden influx into Canada lies in the fact that the Canadian government recently enacted a law by which every Chinaman landing on British soil after Jan. 1 will be compelled to pay a head tax of \$500.

The United Christian party has issued a call for its national mass convention to be held in St. Louis May 1 and 2 to nominate a candidate for president. The party was organized July 4, 1889, at Des Moines, Ia. William R. Benkert is president and Rev. C. H. Thomas of Chicago is vice president. The call demands a direct vote of the people on all questions of vital importance and that Christ's golden rule should be applied to all government.

WAR TALK SCARES ENGLISH INSURANCE COMPANIES NOW

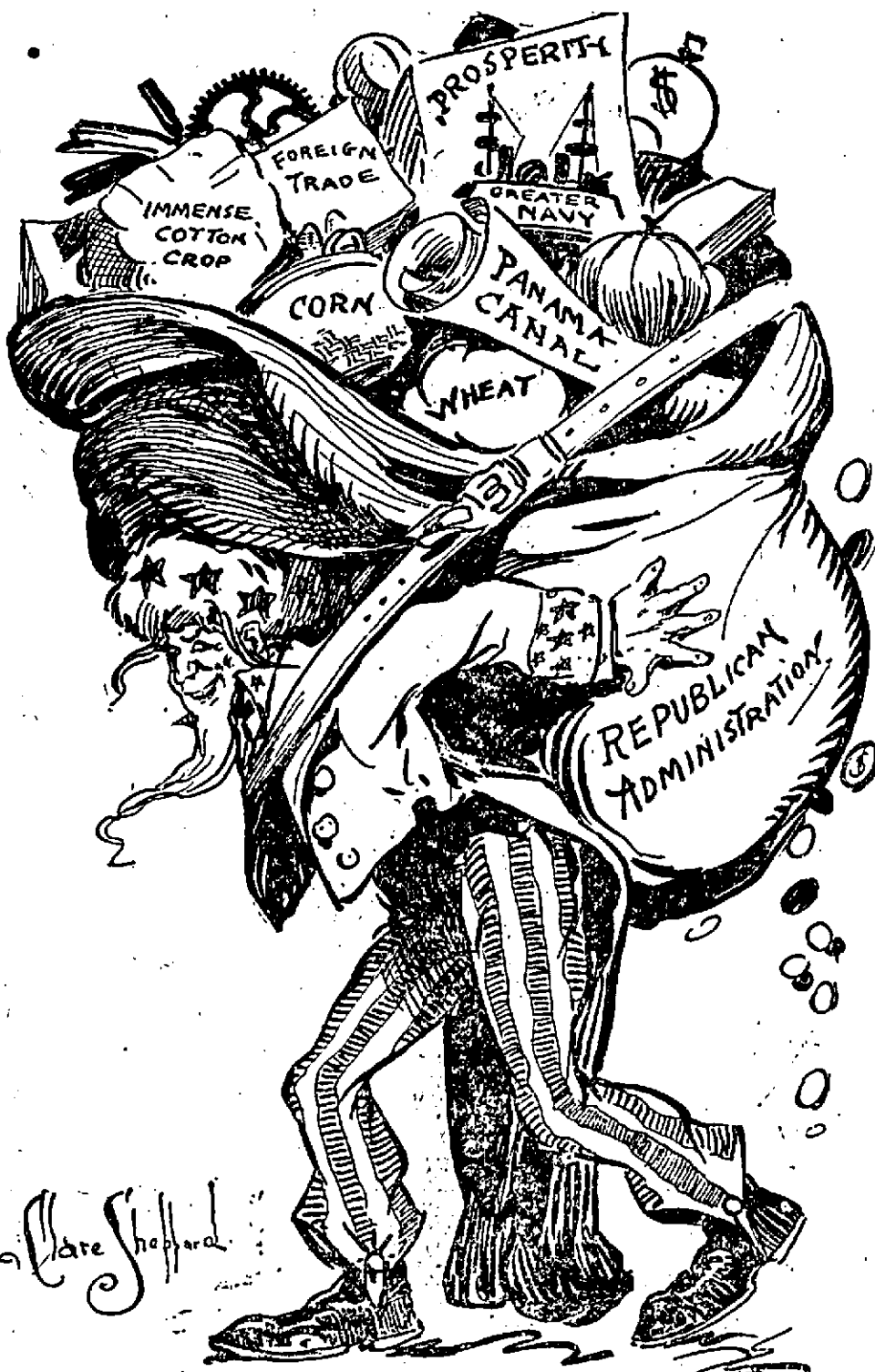
Lloyds Demand an Increase War Rate of Insurance Today.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
London, Dec. 22.—The Lloyds companies this morning announced a raise in the war rate of insurances.

JACK THE RIPPER DENIES HE MURDERED WOMAN, FOUND

Emil Trotman, the Alleged Murderer, Pleads Not Guilty to Charge.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
New York, Dec. 22.—Emil Trotman, the alleged Jack the Ripper who is claimed to have murdered a woman on the water front Saturday, pleaded not guilty this morning.



SAMMY CLAUS.

FIND RUSSIANS GUILTY OF MASSACRE OF JEWS

Claim Is Made That Action Is Intended to Placate Victims of Kishinev and Pardons Will Follow.

Kishinev, Dec. 22.—Twenty-four Russians have been sentenced to prison as participants in the massacre of Jews at this place last April. Prominent Jews here declare they have information that the government intends to pardon the prisoners shortly, and that the imposition of the sentences is a farce, and is a part of a scheme to placate the Jews by making a show of justice.

Twenty-two of the men on trial were given terms ranging from one to two years each, while one was sentenced to a term of five years and another to a term of seven years. All the sentences carry clauses calling for hard labor. It has not been announced whether the prisoners will be taken to Siberia.

The idea that the decision of the court is a move merely to appease the Jews is borne out, according to the Jews, by the mildness of the sentences imposed. In nearly all the cases the evidence was conclusively against the defendants, some of whom were shown to have committed acts of murderous brutality. The punishment for murder in Russia is severe.

Another fact that appears to substantiate the claims of the Jews is that twelve of the persons accused of having participated in the uprising were acquitted. In each of these cases, it is declared, there was no room for doubt that the defendants took part in the riot, and all those acquitted are known to have been interested for by powerful officials or pronouncedly anti-Semitic views. In two cases the discharged defendants are relatives of the czar's officials in this district.

DO NOT BELIEVE SENSATIONAL STORY PUBLISHED TODAY

Talk of Securing Girls for Immoral Purposes Laughed At.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Chicago, Dec. 22.—The story printed here this morning that a syndicate had been formed for the purpose of sending sixty thousand girls to St. Louis for immoral purposes during the world's fair, is given little credence by local police and rescue workers. They admit it may be true, but say no appeal for aid to suppress this movement has been received.

CUT ALL TELEPHONE WIRES; THEN ROB VILLAGE BANK

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Bloomington, Dec. 22.—After cutting all the telephone wires leading out of the city, robbers last night blew the safe at Anchor, but were frightened away before they could secure any plunder.

BONDHOLDERS ARE MUCH SURPRISED

SCHWAB TURNS THE TABLES ON THEM IN COURT.

HE ASKS FOR CONVICTIONS

Claims Private Matters Have Been Made Public Without His Permission.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
New York, Dec. 22.—The bondholders of the United States Shipbuilding company to make receivership of the company permanent was before the courts here this morning. Mr. Schwab caused a surprise through his attorney's request that all persons who were responsible for the publication of letters and cablegrams of the concern be punished for contempt of court. He claimed that these documents were private property and had been tampered with to show the inside workings of the concern.

DREYFUS ASSURED OF HIS OLD RANK

Commission Reports Tomorrow on the Exact Status of the Case.

Paris, Dec. 22.—At a meeting of the Dreyfus commission on Wednesday M. Victor Mercier, reporter of the commission and one of the directors of the ministry of justice, will submit a report of recommending a revision of the case of Captain Dreyfus. There is every reason to believe that the court of cassation will reconsider the case in the light of the facts gathered by M. Mercier at the same time passing upon the other documents submitted. The commission, it is expected, will adopt at least by a majority M. Mercier's recommendation.

If the revision of the case should be favorable to Captain Dreyfus he will be restored to the army, but it is not expected he will assume active service.

M. Mercier's report, it is believed, not only establishes that Dreyfus is innocent of writing the bordereau, but dwells with emphasis on the modification by M. Grihelli, keeper of the war office records, of his testimony before the council at Rennes. M. Grihelli then avers that Dreyfus was guilty, while the modification of his testimony now indicates that the alleged treason was committed by Colonel Henry, who was at the time chief of the intelligence department of the ministry of war.

MARK HANNA IS BETTER— PHYSICIANS SAY IMPROVED

He May Be Taken to His Home in Cleveland Within Two Days.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
New York, Dec. 22.—Mark Hanna's condition is today reported as being much improved and he may leave for Cleveland soon.

SNEAKING ASSASSIN KILLS AGED WOMAN

Murderer Escapes Without Leaving a Trace After Firing Deadly Shot Through a Window.

Mount Carmel, Ill., Dec. 22.—Sunday evening, near Cabbage Corner, a few miles northwest of this city, Mrs. Adam Lacer, an aged woman who lived with her daughter and still more aged sister, was shot and killed while sitting at the supper table. Some one crept up to the window and fired through the glass at her, the bullet striking her just back of the right ear, and causing instant death.

Mrs. Lacer's sister, who is about 80 years old, gave the alarm. The neighborhood was aroused, and the county officers notified. The country was scoured, but without result, and the murderer appears to have escaped without leaving any trace. Mrs. Lacer was in good circumstances, and of high character.

The only person who is believed to have had any possible motive for the murder is James Reinsmith, formerly her son-in-law. Reinsmith, married Mrs. Lacer's daughter some years ago, and because of his bad habits she refused to help him in a financial way as much as he thought she should.

He neglected and mistreated his wife, and a divorce followed. Reinsmith was indicted for larceny and fled the country.

He returned recently, and had made threats against those whom he held responsible for his misfortunes. The coroner's jury at the inquest returned a verdict charging Reinsmith with the crime, and every possible effort is being made to effect his capture.

ROBBERS MAKE CLEVER HAUL OF \$5,000 LAST NIGHT

Blew the Safe of the Bank at Tower Hill With Much Ease.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Tower Hill, Ill., Dec. 22.—Robbers entered the bank here last night and after blowing the safe escaped with five thousand dollars in money.

RUSSIAN WAR SHIPS ARE AT PORT ARTHUR STILL

Have Returned from Korea and Will Be Prepared for Emergencies.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—A message from Port Arthur states that all Russian war ships which recently went to Chempul, Korea, have returned to Port Arthur.

PENDING STRIKE SETTLEMENT FUNERALS ARE HELD

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Chicago, Dec. 22.—Pending settlement of the livermen's strike arbitration many funerals are being conducted today with hearsees without any interference, the unions having signed with several undertakers and promising no interference would be allowed by the strikers.

NO SYMPATHY FOR COLOMBIA

European Diplomats Inform General Reyes That He Has Lost Cause.

IS WARNED AGAINST HOSTILITIES

Attempt to Retake Panama Would Bring About a General War with the United States—The Question Is a Serious One at Present.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Diplomatic pressure will be brought to bear upon Colombia by several European powers to prevent war between that country and the United States.

The first step in this direction already has been taken by several foreign powers, through their representatives here, who have informed General Rafael Reyes of the futility of any attempt by Colombia to retake Panama, declaring that it will result only in precipitating the Bogota government into war with the United States, and have said to him that the result of such a catastrophe Colombia herself must realize. If this is not sufficient the representatives of these countries at Bogota will be instructed to inform President Marraquin that Colombia can expect no sympathy from the European powers in any move she may make on Panama, which would inevitably involve her in war with the United States.

Reyes Fears Trouble.

The members of the diplomatic corps have been informed by General Reyes himself that he fears he can with difficulty check his people much longer. General Reyes is not talking for publication, but to several European ambassadors he has confided his fears with frankness, and has said that he is doing everything in his power to prevent an outbreak before the conclusion of his mission, but that, although his influence with the army is considerable, he is so far away that it is difficult for him to make this felt as strongly as if he were on the ground and in command.

Diplomats whom General Reyes has approached on the subject say that what he most fears is the result of the announcement at Bogota of the failure of his mission. He realizes that the most he can hope from the government of the United States is an offer that it will use moral suasion, to prevent war.

STATE NOTES

Rev. Father M. E. Boyce of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, new Richmond, Wis., has created a sensation and got the women of his congregation up on their ears on account of his sermon, in which he sharply criticized the Ladies' Aid society. He has no use for afternoon meetings for gossip, he says, held under the guise of raising money for charity.

Another sensational chapter to the Holmes shooting case was added at Appleton, Wis., when Mrs. Mary E. Holmes walked into Judge Goodland's court and asked for a divorce from her husband, who is in state's prison for an assault with intent to kill. The divorce was granted and Mrs. Holmes was restored to her former name, Mary E. Walters. Holmes was her former husband's co-accused.

Assistant State Veterinarian Clark on Monday killed twelve head of blooded cattle in Caledonia, on a farm owned by Fred Reibrock of Milwaukee. They were afflicted with tuberculosis.

At the two free employment bureaus in Milwaukee and Superior last week there were 196 applications for help and 183 for employment. All who applied for work were given positions.

John O. Jones, who built the Lathrop dock at Racine, receiving certificates for \$12,000, has asked the city to provide funds for the dock, as the courts had declared the certificates void.

The Racine council has declared a liquor license issued to Leonard Schaeffer in July void; it having been found that the names signed to a petition by property owners were placed there through a misapprehension.

Thieves infest Corliss west of Racine. Saturday night they stole a horse and sleigh belonging to John Rowland, the animal being found stuck in a snow bank three miles east of the village, and Sunday night the barber shop of George O'Hara was burglarized.

The sinking of a big belt at the power house of the Kenosha railway company Sunday night made it impossible for the cars to be operated. All day Monday Kenosha walked and it is probable that it will be several days before traffic is reestablished.

Because of the clouds of smoke arising from a 20,000-ton pile of soft coal at the yards of William Pugh, at Racine, a force of men was set to work shoveling away the coal and pouring thousands of gallons of water on it. Firemen claimed that the pile was on fire. Mr. Pugh stated that the coal was only heated.

Export Vanilla.

The Society Islands are now exporting large quantities of vanilla.

vail on Panama to assume her portion of the Colombian debt. Further, General Reyes has been told he can expect nothing.

Will Ask Arbitration.
"I came to Washington to save what I could from a shipwreck," he said to a diplomat of high rank.

Realization of the true situation, it is said, will not prevent Gen. Reyes from calling on the United States for a reference to The Hague of several of the questions at issue.

It is on this point that European diplomats have told Gen. Reyes that it is expecting too much for this government to submit any phase of the Panama matter to The Hague. Several ambassadors have advised the general to impress on his people the fact that Europe wants the isthmian canal, and that Colombia can expect no sympathy from that quarter. It has been pointed out further by these diplomats that the proffered sympathy of several South American republics can avail Colombia nothing in the event of war with the United States.

Policy of Europe.
It is hoped that the receipt of this news in Bogota will do much to calm the feeling there, and hold the Colombians in check until Gen. Reyes can return.

Great Britain and the Netherlands have taken pains to let Gen. Reyes know indirectly that Colombia reckons without her host if she interprets their delay in recognizing the republic of Panama as an evidence of their sympathy for Colombia or as due to other than a desire to protect the interests of their financiers, who are the largest holders of government bonds. It is said here to be unlikely that any naval commanders in isthmian waters will go to the extent of dislodging the Colombian troops which have landed on Panama territory. On this point, however, the policy of the government has not been decided definitely.

HARRY MOTT IS IN JAIL, HERE

Beloit Man Charged with Having Robbed a Drunken Clinton Farmer.

On the night before Thanksgiving Martin Anderson, a Clinton farmer, visited the red light district of Beloit and came out with experience and minus \$230 in cash. He complained to the police of the Line City and a close watch was set upon several suspects who were thought to have turned the trick. Yesterday afternoon Harry L. Mott, a resident of Beloit and well known in Janesville, was arrested on the charge and locked up. He was given a hearing before Judge Booth and was held under a \$1,000 bail. Last night he was brought up to Janesville and turned over to the care of Sheriff Appleby at his pleasant hotel on the river bank. Some time ago Mott was arrested charged with irregularities in the postoffice at Beloit and was sentenced to fifteen months in the Stillwater prison by the United States court. During the fall Mr. Mott sold many local firms slot machines.

WIFE IS CHOSEN FOR KING ALFONSO

His Cousin, Princess Maria Del Pilar Has Been Selected by the Court.

Madrid, Dec. 22.—According to the Spanish newspapers a project is on foot for the marriage of King Alfonso to his cousin, the Princess Maria Del Pilar of Bavaria. She is 13 years of age.

King Alfonso, the youngest reigning monarch in Europe, was born after the death of his father, King Alfonso XII, and ascended the throne of Spain on May 17 of last year. When crowned he was 10 years of age and during his minority, his mother as regent, controlled the affairs of the Spanish nation.

MRS. ROGERS MURDERED HER HUSBAND WITH CHLOROFORM

Lured Him to Decolite Place; Then Killed Him With Ease.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Mary Rogers, aged nineteen, on trial charged with having murdered her husband by chloroforming him, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. She loved another man.

Fosters Education.
Haiti devotes almost one-sixth of its revenues to free schools.

CITY ATTORNEY ASSAILED WITH COUNCIL QUERIES

Concerning Duties of Appointed Police, Inside Fire Protection, Etc.—Session of City Fathers.

Though a multitude of small things came up for consideration before the city council last evening and several edifying subjects were threshed out, very little work that might be designated as "constructive" was accomplished. This was due to circumstances—not men, for the meeting should have been a brief one.

Bills Allowed
Early in the session the opinion of the city attorney on the bill of G. D. Cannon for \$30.55 for the construction of combination curbing at the corner of Milton avenue and East street, work done through some misunderstanding without the authority of the council, was rendered. While the city attorney found that the bill was not liable, the bill was subsequently allowed by a special order. The bill of \$308.40, presented by Attorney M. G. Jeffries for services in the litigation of Ann Collins vs. the City of Janesville, was also allowed. The license committee reported favorably on the application for licenses made by the Valentine Blatz and Gund Brewing companies, the judiciary committee having found the bonds and sureties good. The transfer of saloon license from William H. Knipp to George Smith was also approved.

Disposal of Garbage
Alderman Mills made a few remarks on the garbage dump, grounds. He thought that the city had not made the best use of the tract of marshland near Buob's brewery tendered for the purpose by M. G. Jeffries last spring, and that a few changes were imperative. The garbage was unloaded to near the street and he believed it would be advisable to build a roadway eight or ten rods into the marsh. Sufficient care had not been exercised by someone as to the character of garbage dumped there. Dead animals and decaying vegetables made the place offensive last summer and it was advisable that some care and supervision should be exercised in the matter. The matter was referred to the committee on sewerage to make recommendations at the next regular meeting.

Inside Fire Protection
On complaint of the Rock River Cotton Co., a resolution was introduced directing the city attorney to investigate and report to the council the rights of property holders and the duty of the Janesville Water Co. with reference thereto, as well as the procedure to be adopted to compel the furnishing of inside water protection. The Water Co. claims that it is not bound by its franchise to furnish such protection. The city attorney is asked to render his opinion at the next regular meeting.

Duties of Police Officers
That same official was also directed by an order to advise the council what comprise the powers and duties of police officers appointed on recommendation of fire and police officials and to whom they are subject for orders. Alderman Sale said that Janesville had a curious set of officers so appointed and he was unable to find out whether or not they had any duties or powers outside of drawing their salaries. If they were ornaments he thought better ones could be secured for less money.

Street Improvements
Orders calling for the regrading

MERCHANTS ASK FOR PROTECTION

Want Council to Secure from South Main Street Concern a Bond for Payment of License Fee.

Alderman Matheson last night introduced and moved for the adoption of a resolution which was in substance as follows: Whereas the persons at No. 18 South Main street transacting business under the firm name of Edward J. Kann & Co., have declared their intentions of becoming permanent merchants in this city; and whereas the firm has not been in this city the six months necessary to subject it to taxation and the parties engaged in business are believed to be transiently more than; resolved that a bond in the penal sum of \$450 be required of said firm to secure the payment of the state and city license for the year ending December 31, 1904, and that the city marshal be instructed to serve a copy on the said firm forthwith.

A Chilly Welcome
The sponsor of the resolution said that he introduced the measure at the request of merchants of the city and that it was designed to protect local business. Judge Sale thought that it was a curious thing to do. If every man who came to Janesville to do business in the city was required to give a bond for \$500 he was of the opinion that there would be little incentive for new firms to come here. He thought that some tangible evidence should be produced to show that the firm in question was not what it pretended to be. It was a rather chilly welcome for the man who wanted to come to Janesville to do business. Alderman Matheson said that he had the assurance of a responsible merchant that the concern was known as one that went from town to town, remaining in any single city but a brief period.

Referred to Committee
Alderman Sale moved that the resolution be referred to a special committee. Motion carried. The committee appointed consists of Alderman Matheson, Connell, and Schwartz. Later in the evening Alderman Matheson introduced an ordinance amending Section 1 of the ordinance of April 19, 1897, so that it might read: "No transient merchant shall sell or dispose of goods without paying a \$10 per item license fee and any person or firm believed to be transient may be re-

and paying with brick of portions of three thoroughfares and the assessment of benefits and damages was introduced by the special committee appointed to report on improvements. The descriptions are as follows: East Milwaukee street from the east side of South Main to the east side of Division street in the Second and Third Wards; West Milwaukee street from the east side of Academy street to the west side of South Main street in the First and Second Wards; South Main street from the north side of East Milwaukee to the south side of South First street in the Third Ward.

Disreputable Resorts
Judge Sale, chairman of the Judiciary committee, announced that for the third time there had been referred to him from municipal court a report in which it appeared that several keepers and inmates of houses of prostitution had come before that court and pleaded guilty—the same individuals on several different occasions. He did not think that this thing should go on without some effort to suppress. The marshal was willing to go ahead if the council would stand back of him. He therefore would introduce an order to the effect that the city marshal should prosecute vigorously all such keepers and inmates and that the council pledge him its support in the work. On the viva voce vote the motion to adopt was carried, only one alderman voting, but on the taking of the ayes and noes it was lost by a vote of 5 to 3. Alderman Schmidley and Murray being absent from the meeting.

Clean Side Walks
A discussion of the primitive idea of having snow removed from the side walks after storms was introduced by Alderman Connell. It was pointed out that the charter provides that in cases where property holders refuse to clean their walks the street commissioner shall do the work and charge the same to the work and the marshal being empowered to enforce the collection of the money. Mayor Wilson thought it would be a good idea for the city to clean its own walks before going into the beam-plucking business on a large scale. Alderman Sale was quite sure that the city had been doing this at least since there had been bills for the work right along. The city attorney stated that it was the street commissioner's duty to attend to the matter and that official said that he would do the best he could.

Minor Matters
Emmet Northrop was appointed special policeman without pay to do service at the North-Western depot. The report of the municipal court for the month of November was found correct and accepted. Alderman Lowell reported unfavorably on the suggestion to secure boiler insurance for public buildings. Report adopted. P. C. Ehredge, division superintendent of the St. Paul road, in a communication to Agent Johnson which was read to the council stated that the company would regard a measure compelling them to maintain a flagman at the intersection of Fourth avenue and Main street as unjust, as they regarded a switchman flagging ahead of the engine as sufficient and were willing to guarantee such protection. Matter referred to alderman of the Second ward.

GROSS EARNINGS OF STREET RAILWAY CO.

For the Year Ending December 1, Amount to \$13,64,550—Two Per Cent Tax Divided.

The gross earnings of the Janesville Street Railway Co. for the year ending December 1, 1903 were reported to the council last evening and amount to \$13,64,550. The two per cent tax on these earnings which goes into the coffers of the city and county amounts to \$271.09. This sum is divided as follows: County, \$22.53; 1st ward, \$83.39; 2nd ward, \$33; 3rd ward, \$124.49; 4th ward, \$32.55; 5th ward, \$4.43. Alderman Connell always on the lookout for the interests of his constituents in the Second ward inquired what the basis of division was. The money is divided according to the mileage of track in each ward, was the reply.

JANESVILLE SCENERY IS WANTED AT EXPOSITION

City Council is Asked to Have Ten Characteristic Views Enlarged for Wisconsin Building.

Grant Thomas, secretary of the St. Louis World's Fair commission, communicated with the city council last evening regarding a display of characteristic Wisconsin scenes to be made in the building of this state at the exposition. Milwaukee, Madison, and other cities had already declared their intentions of making such exhibits. Small pictures are to be enlarged and framed and eight or ten are wanted from each locality. After the exposition they will be returned to the cities presenting them. The matter was referred to the printing committee of which Alderman Hemming is chairman.

Notice to Box Holders at Old P. O.
All persons holding keys upon which they have deposited twenty cents, will be repaid upon application to Miss Peterson at money order window.

O. F. Nowlan, P. M.
Mrs. Anna's Buckwheat Flour given for the best quality of old buckwheat flour. Ask for Mrs. Anna's Buckwheat Flour.

LABOR TALK FOR WORKMEN

After a month's shut down on account of the walkout of 400 miners of the Coal Creek company, of Coal Creek, Tenn., resumed this week with a small force. The company has posted an order that it will employ none but non-union men.

The Ocean Wave Coal Mine, operated at Williamsburg, Colo., notified their men by posted notices that they establish an eight-hour day throughout the mine and on the outside, and will pay the same wages they have been paying for ten hours.

The glass blowers of New Jersey have notified the governor of that State that they propose to contest the new child labor law of last winter, and the reason given by them is that they cannot run their factories at a profit without using boy helpers.

At a recent mass-meeting of employees of the Northwestern railway, of England, a resolution was unanimously passed urging that a scheme of old-age pension, approved by the employers and directors of the road, be put in operation as soon as possible.

An injunction was recently secured restraining the Bricklayers' and Masons' International Union of America and the United Order of American Bricklayers from interfering with a Chicago bricklayer and mason not a union man.

The membership of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen on September 1 was 65,000, an increase for the past eight months of almost 10,000. There were 690 lodges in the organization; the amount paid in claims up to September 1 was \$8,637,788.60. The amount of insurance in force approximately is \$75,000,000.

The strike of the machinists at the East Pittsburgh works of the Westinghouse Machine company, has been officially declared off and orders have been sent out from headquarters of the International Association of Machinists to the different district judges to arrange for difficulties by arbitration.

Labor strikes, which were wholly unknown in Mississippi a few years ago, are now becoming quite common. A few days ago fourteen negro laborers employed on the sewerage system in Yazoo City went out on a strike for higher wages. Their places have been filled by Swedes imported from Chicago.

The National Federation of Employers which is now being organized in Chicago is attracting attention throughout the United States, and more than 150 associations in various parts of the country have forwarded credentials of delegates who have been assigned to join in the formation of the great national body.

Mine hoisting engineers of Illinois, numbering 200, will strike November 1, unless their terms are granted. They demand a horizontal raise of \$20 per month for all classes. The operators offered them 12.5 per cent advance, which they refused.

Any sober, reliable farm laborer in Denmark, who has saved one-tenth the mortgage value of the little farm he covets—this value not exceed 1,000—can buy the land by borrowing the other nine-tenths from a government fund. He gives a mortgage on which he pays 3 per cent.

A NEW MEMORIAL CHURCH WINDOW

Trinity Church Has Two New Memorials to Be in Place Very Soon.

In the table of fasts in the Book of Common Prayer, after the forty days of Lent, the Ember and Rogation days are mentioned, all the Fridays in the year except Christmas day. Being one of the two greatest feasts on the church's calendar, all church people are exempt from the practice of abstinence on Friday when Christmas falls upon that day. At Trinity church, in addition to the customary attractive decorations and music, will be seen on Christmas day for the first time, the new memorial window, which is being placed in the church by a number of the Trinity parish school students. The memorial window was designed by Dr. D. B. Under whom they studied. The window is to be placed on the west side of the church next to the pulpit and represents St. Paul preaching from Mars Hill, a favorite subject with Dr. Durlin. Another memorial window is now being made in New York to be placed in memory of Mr. John Metcalf by his devoted wife, Mrs. Juliette Metcalf. The customary midnight service will be omitted this year, the first Christmas service being at 6:30 Christmas morning when the altar and screen will be ablaze with candle light and Christmas hymns will be sung. At 7:30 there will be a plain celebration and the full choral Eucharist at 10 o'clock.

The New York Station
On the Pennsylvania System.
At the foot of West 23d Street makes the up town and hotel district of New York easily accessible. Cheap cab service of the Pennsylvania Railroad company from the station is convenient for reaching any section of the city. Costs only twenty-five cents to ride a mile and a half. C. H. Kimball, A. G. P. Agt., No. 2 Sherman Street, Chicago, will give full particulars upon application.

Tea, No use to sit down and whine.
When no fish get tangled in your line. Bate your hook with a humble bee. And keep on taking Rocky Mountain Tea. Volts Pharmacy.

Tea, Live on a simple diet, don't fret and worry.
Your rosy cheeks and clear, pretty skin will return soon as you commence taking Rocky Mountain Tea. Volts Pharmacy.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth.
Be sure and use that old and well tried remedy, Mrs. Anna's Buckwheat Flour, for cutting the teeth. It is the best remedy for Diarrhea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell."

CLEVER TRICK TO DUPE FARMERS

BUT IN ONE CASE IT FAILED ENTIRELY.

BAD CLOTHING PEDDLERS

Big Job Lot of Goods Were Offered for a Small Sum of Money.

A gang of swindlers has been at work in the rural communities selling clothing to the farmers. They claim to represent a Chicago supply house, and their plan of operation is to sell a farmer enough cloth to make two suits of clothes for himself and throw in a shawl and a dress for his wife, the entire pack being sold for \$18. The peddler also agrees to make up the clothing free of cost, if the farmer prefers, a note is taken for the amount. The goods are made up and sent to the farmer C. O. D., with a bill of \$7 attached for lining, buttons, thread, etc., used in making the clothes. The value of the goods sold for \$18 is about \$27. The difference between this and the cost, added to the \$7 charged for making the goods, represents the net profit of the peddler.

One farmer they visited decided to take a package and then they asked him to sign a note, which he refused to do. Then they were asked to pay the cash, but would not, saying that he would pay when the suits were done, they telling him that as he was one of the first to take a package, they would have them made up for him at the nearest shop. When he would neither pay cash nor sign a note they asked him to give them a check on the local bank, which he was finally induced to do. But they had no sooner left him than he came to his senses and realized that it might be a fraudulent scheme, so he hitched up his team and drove at once to town arriving in advance of the peddlers. Then he notified the bank on which the check was drawn not to cash it, and also the other bank not to accept it, and when they attempted to get the money they found they could not do it.

Later the farmer offered to give them back the cloth if they would return the check, but this they refused to do, and as he went to all the stores and told them about the transaction and told all the farmers he saw, the fakirs came to the conclusion that their game was up so took a train out of town. The farmer declares the men have hypnotic power and it is almost impossible to resist them, and he is also of the opinion that notes, if the farmers are considered able to pay them, are raised to \$150, it looks as if this particular Reubens is ahead in this transaction, as he still has the cloth, but that remains to be seen.

DETECTIVE CASEY AND HIS PORKER

Arrived in Milwaukee from Janesville to Find Long Promised Pig Awaited.

Ing Him—Long Standing Joke.
Detective P. H. Casey of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul detective force is well known in Janesville. Recently he has come into prominence through the attempt to solve the disappearance of a large quantity of gloves for which two Janesville youths are being examined with a view to finding what they know of the theft. Mr. Casey is a joker and the following squib from a Milwaukee paper shows how he bested his Cream City friends on the pig question.

"Did Casey get the pig?"
"No, sir."
These labels, in lamp black tracings, embellished the sides of a hunched pound dressed porker exhibited at the Atlas hotel yesterday, and told the story of a Christmas promise made over a year ago. The Casey referred to is Detective P. H. Casey of the Milwaukee road, who for many years has protected the patrons of the line from confidence men and crooks of every description, and whose record as a thief taker reaches to every station on the road.

A year or so ago, Casey was sent officially to Mauston to look into several burglaries committed on the property of the company and while there met on a jolly set of Irishmen in ever coregated. Among them was Dave Maloney, a retired farmer of Mauston, who told about his farm, his stock and other things. Casey wanted a pig, and then and there the compact was made, signed, sealed and delivered, that Maloney was to furnish the pig.

At the Atlas hotel upon his return Casey told Manager Mike O'Leary and others of the pig he was to get and accused their interest to such an extent that for over a year he has been asked daily when he was to receive the porker. The Mauston postoffice, at different times during the year, has been flooded with postal cards asking about Casey's pig, and Casey himself swore vengeance upon his friends every time pig was mentioned.

Casey's pig arrived yesterday morning, and during the day it was exhibited to hundreds at the hotel. Manager O'Leary sent out word and Casey's friends marched in by ones, twos, and in quartet formation. Finally Casey came in from Janesville, and the boys were there to welcome him, shouting, "Did Casey get the pig?" Then came the stentorian response, "He did!"

Of course Maloney and Howard and that bunch up at Mauston would not forget it this time," said Casey, as he smiled and looked upon the decorations and the lettering.

Neille—Live on a simple diet, don't fret and worry.
Your rosy cheeks and clear, pretty skin will return soon as you commence taking Rocky Mountain Tea. Volts Pharmacy.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell."

...LINK AND PIN...

The following bulletin has been received at the superintendent's office: It is of the utmost importance that our trainmen look their trains over very carefully, before leaving the terminals, also on the road, where stops are made. Please install this into the minds of the brakemen so that these instructions are carried out. By so doing, a great deal of unnecessary delay on the road will be saved.

Fireman Frank Schmidley went to Fond du Lac this morning to report for work.

Night Yard Master James Mulligan returned to work last evening after a short vacation.

North-Western Road.
Engineer Seidmore of the north Wisconsin division reported for work this morning, after a week's absence.

Stationary engineer at the roundhouse, August Bush, returned to work today.

Fireman Ben Hay is visiting friends and relatives at Fond du Lac for a few days.

Fireman F. W. Goldenpennig, Wisconsin division, returned this morning from Harvard.

General Foreman Thomas Erickson returned last evening from a business trip to Chicago.

Engineer Francis A. Barter leaves tonight for Pleasant Prairie, Wis., to spend the holidays at the parental home.

Engine No. 53 is off the DeKalb passenger run today, being held at the roundhouse for necessary repairs. Engine No. 568 is taking her place.

Will Connell, fireman on the north Wisconsin division, reported for work yesterday morning.

Fireman E. O. Stroup reported for work on the north Wisconsin division today.

Engineer W. A. Webber, on time freight runs between Baraboo and Chicago, is in the city to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Webber, No. 8 Pearl street.

Brakeman James Grogan of Chicago is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

General Railroad Notes
The Missouri, Kansas and Texas has formed a land bureau, the purpose of which will be to encourage farmers to settle in the southwest.

The New York Central is now completing a pension plan under which employees will contribute 1 per cent of their salary, which will form one-third of the fund to be created, the railway company contributing the other two-thirds.

The recent completion of the eighteen miles of new track between Thiobes, Ill., and Cape Girardeau, Mo., and the use of a ferry service across the Mississippi enabled the Chicago & Eastern Illinois to establish a new short route to Memphis.

F. C. Dolan, general superintendent of the Colorado & Southern railroad, with offices in Denver, has been appointed general manager of the Fort Worth & Denver City railroad, with headquarters at Fort Worth, Texas. He will assume the duties of his office on Jan. 1.

At a recent revision of the rate sheets of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe and Missouri, Kansas & Texas it was discovered that through an error in calculation of mileage made nine years ago the rate of fare charged between Dallas and Garland, Tex., has been 5 cents too low during that time. It is estimated that the error has cost each road a loss of \$8,670, or a total of \$17,140.

Real Estate Transfers
Lydia E. Carrell et al to Margaret A. Barker \$100 Lot 4-17 Original Plat Janesville.

Malcolm G. Jeffries & wife to W. C. Hart & A. Ellis Hart \$7250.00 lot 16 Dixon & Dalley's Add Janesville.

A. Ellis Hart & W. C. Hart to M. G. Jeffries \$3000.00 sw 1/4 of sw 1/4 s13 La Prairie.

C. K. Millmore to John L. Fisher \$2400.00 lots 32,43,50,51,52,53,55,57,58, 59,60,61, Millmore's 2nd New Add Janesville.

Diantha M. Olds et al to Fred W. Big \$12250.00 e 1/2 of s 1/4 s 5 & s 1/4 s 6 & n 1/4 of s 1/4 s 5 Clinton 145 acres.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES

(itching, bleeding, protruding piles). Your druggist will refund money if PAXO OINTMENT fails to cure you in 10 to 14 days. 50c.

MYERS GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Christmas Matinee and Night.
December 25.

The \$50,000 Gloom Dispelling Extravaganza
The Isle of Spice

with the brand new production and a Star Cast and ensemble of 50 people.

150 Nights in Chicago.

HEAR "Father's Always Walking in His Sleep"

THE "Peggy Brady"
SONG "Mercenary Mary Ann"
HITS "Uncle Sam's Marines"
HITS "The Goo-Goo Man"

Bon Ami
The Finest Cleaner Made
Cleans bath tubs perfectly.

Badger Drug Co.

Christmas Store.

Practical, Useful, Ornamental Gifts

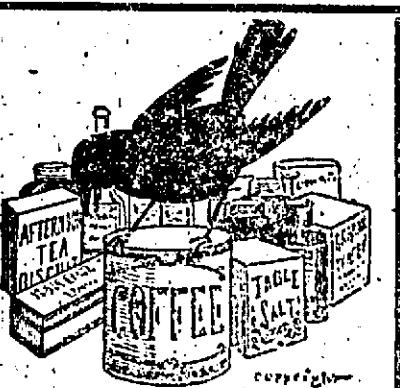
Beautiful Packages of Perfume, 10c to \$8

Mirrors and Brushes. Gold and Silver Toilet Sets, \$1.25 to \$7.50.

Imported Boxes of Stationery, 25c to \$3.50.

Burnt Wood, Burnt Leather Novelties, Purses, Manicure Sets, Mirrors, Work Boxes, Babies' Toilet Sets, Smoking Sets, Steins, Tobacco Jars, Cigar Cases, Musical Albums.

Badger Drug Co.



This is the Modern Grocery Where "Good Things" are displayed. Passed by the Inspector who gets his fee for inspecting every can, you see, it is all right by experts, so full of good, who placed the goods so tastefully in Carlo's North Main St. Grocery.

GROCERIES
Fine Dairy Butter, 25c
Creamery Butter, 25c
Renovated Butter, 25c
Butterline, 18c
3 cans Lewis Lye, 25c
A good Baker's Chocolate, 25c
7 lbs. Oat Meal, 25c
Sweet Cider, per gal., 25c
Where is the man who does not like tender meat? Where is the woman who does not like to serve it to her husband? Where is the place you can always depend on getting such meats?

PRICES
Porter house steak, 12c;
Sirloin steak, 12c; Round steak, 10c; Shoulder steak, 10c; Pork Chops, 10c; Veal chops, 12c; Bulk pork sausage, 10c; Link Pork Sausage, 10c; Frankfurters sausage, 10c; Fine Rib Roasts, 10c; Baked Ham, 25c; Dried Beef, 20c; Good Boiling Beef, 4 to 10c; Salt Pork, half fat, 10c, 10c; Dry Salt Pork, 12c; Canned Meats of all kinds; Fine Corn Beef, 8c; Old Chickens, 10c; Young Chickens, 12c; Chickens, Ducks and Turkeys.

GROCERIES
Fine Dairy Butter, per lb., 25c; Creamery Butter, per lb., 25c; Renovated Butter, per lb., 25c; Butterline, per lb., 18c; 3 cans Lewis Lye, 25c; A good Baker's chocolate, per lb., 25c; 7 lbs. Oat Meal, 25c; Sweet Cider, per gal., 25c.
Plenty of others too numerous to mention.

Geo. F. Carle,
Both Phones 7. N. Main St.

Men and Women.
The Dr. J. C. Carle's...
Circular sent on request.



CHRISTMAS COAL
fills a most important place in the essentials of a fine Christmas dinner, as your cook will tell you. It is the best for any kind of cooking. It gives just the right fire always.

BADGER COAL CO.
City Office Peoples Drug Co.
Main Office, Academy St. Phone 24

The First National Bank

Janesville, Wisconsin
Capital and Undivided Profits \$200,000.00
Directors
B. B. SMITH, P. H. CARLE, Vice-Pres. JOHN U. REYNOLDS, Cashier
A. P. LOVADY, H. H. RUMBLE, H. RICHARDSON, T. O. HOWE
A Strictly Commercial Business Transacted.

FIRELIGHT PARLOR MATCHES

500 IN A BOX.
2 boxes for - 5c
10 lbs. good coffee \$1

Boston Store
J. B. SMITH Prop.
South River St.

FACTS.

Flourishes55
Best Patent Flour\$1.10
Corn Meal20
Graham Flour20
8 lbs. Oat Meal25
Snyder Catsup pint18
Early Syrup Peas25
Table Syrup Gal.25
New Orleans Molasses, Gal.35
Sweet Cider, Gal.30
Hickory Nuts20

NOLAN BROS.

PURE ..and.. SPARKLING

Buob's beer contains only the purest of materials in its manufacture. We deliver direct from the brewery in either pint or case lots.

South Side Brewery,

PHONE 141.



Carl Brockhaus,
Steam Dye Works
Goods called for and delivered.
30 E. Milwaukee St. New Phone 212

Signs.

CHAS. W. HALL, 31 SO. MAIN ST.

THE JANESVILLE GAZETTE.
Entered at the postoffice at Janesville, Wis., as second class mail matter.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION
Daily Edition—By Carrier.
One Year.....\$2.00
Six Months.....\$1.25
Three Months.....\$0.75
One Month.....\$0.25
One Year—Cash in Advance.....\$2.00
Six Months—Cash in Advance.....\$1.25
Three Months—Cash in Advance.....\$0.75
One Month—Cash in Advance.....\$0.25
Daily Edition—By Mail.
CASH IN ADVANCE.
One Year.....\$2.00
Six Months.....\$1.25
Three Months.....\$0.75
One Month.....\$0.25
One Year—Rural delivery in Rock Co.....\$2.00
Six Months—Rural delivery in Rock Co.....\$1.25
Three Months—Rural delivery in Rock Co.....\$0.75
One Month—Rural delivery in Rock Co.....\$0.25
Long Distance Telephone, No. 77
Business Office.....77-2
Editorial Rooms.....77-3



Generally fair tonight and Wednesday warmer.

NOTICE TO PATRONS
Subscribers will confer a favor by reporting to the office any neglect on the part of carrier boys in the delivery of the paper. The boys are instructed to put the paper in mail boxes wherever they are supplied, and to call "paper" on delivery.

GAZETTE PRINTING CO.

COTTON EXPORT.

The marked reduction in the exports of cotton goods from the United States to China in 1903, compared especially with 1902, has been the occasion of considerable anxiety and inquiry both on the part of manufacturers and those generally interested in the development of the foreign commerce of the United States. A statement recently issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, shows that in the ten months ending with October, 1903, the value of all exports from the United States to China was \$13,325,818, against \$20,090,769 in the corresponding months of 1902, and \$15,516,629 in the corresponding months of 1901. An examination of the details of our exports to China shows that this reduction is almost exclusively in cotton goods. The total value of exports of cotton cloth to China from the United States in the ten months ending with October, 1903, was \$8,516,693, against \$14,633,570 in the corresponding months of 1902, and \$8,565,519 in the corresponding months of 1901; while of other cotton goods, our exports to China in the ten months of 1903 were \$26,305, against \$51,160 in the corresponding months of 1902, and \$122,886 in the corresponding months of 1901.

An examination as to the cause of this reduction, made by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, indicates that falling off is due to a general reduction in the imports of cotton goods into China, rather than from any reduction in the popularity or relative share which the cotton manufacturers of the United States have in the total imports into China.

While the reports of cotton goods from the United States to China do show a large falling off during this period, this is also the experience of other countries supplying China with cotton goods. The United Kingdom, India, Japan, and the United States are the chief countries supplying China with her imports of cotton goods. An examination of the October statement of exports from the United Kingdom, covering the ten months of 1903 ending with October, shows that her exports to China, including Hongkong, of piece goods, gray or unbleached, in the ten months of 1903 were 181,459,500 yards, 1902, were 88,316 yards, and 1901, 185,915,400 yards in the corresponding months of 1901. Of bleached piece goods number of yards exported to China from the United Kingdom was 108,497,400 in ten months of 1903, against 153,305,400 in the same months 1902, and 113,562,100 in the corresponding months of 1901. Combining all classes of piece goods, the total exports from the United Kingdom to China in the ten months ending with October, 1903, were 405,964,700 yards, against 507,165,300 yards in the corresponding months of last year, and 292,184,900 yards in the corresponding months of 1901. In the case of India the total exports of piece goods to China in the six months ending September, 1903, were 88,316 yards, against 2,608,309 yards in the corresponding six months of 1902 and 268,618 yards in the corresponding months of 1901, the total for six months of 1903 being therefore but about 3 per cent. of those of 1902 and but one-third of those of 1901. The Japanese monthly statements of exports do not state quantities in sufficient detail to render practicable a determination of the quantity of cotton goods exported to China, but the total value of "cotton tissues" exported from Japan to China in the nine months ending with September is given at 2,056,272 yen (equivalent to \$1,025,000), against 1,852,102 yen (or \$920,000) in the corresponding months of 1902, which figures, in view of the increase in prices of cotton goods during the year, would indicate no material

increase in the comparatively small quantity supplied to China by Japan. These figures of the shipments of cotton goods from the four principal countries supplying the cotton imports of China during the latest available months in the present year seem to indicate that the reduction which has been noted in the exports of cotton goods from the United States to China is no greater than that of the other principle countries, supplying the cotton imports of China, and that in our case, as well as that of other countries, the reduction is due to a general decrease in the importation of cotton goods into China in the year 1903 as compared with immediately preceding years. This theory is also supported by such information from Chinese official sources as is at present available with reference to 1903 and earlier years. The official figures of Chinese imports for the year of 1903 thus far received by the Bureau of Statistics cover only the first three months, port by port. The chief importing port of China, however, for cotton goods is Shanghai, and the official reports from that port show that the total imports of cotton goods in the first three months of 1903 were 3,330,746 pieces, against 4,461,962 pieces in the corresponding months of 1902, and 1,780,141 pieces in the same months of 1901. Of these imports, gray shirtings form the largest single item, and they showed a total from the United Kingdom of 1,073,526 pieces, against 2,113,704 pieces in the corresponding months of last year.

In the Chinese importations of sheetings, drills and jeans American goods form an important part. Imports of American sheetings into China amounted to 630,947 pieces in the first three months of 1903, against 949,940 pieces in the same months of 1902; American drills amounted to 230,487 pieces, against 357,120 pieces in the corresponding months of the preceding year; and American jeans, 63,760 pieces against 36,000 in the same months of the preceding year.

A further examination of the details of these figures shows that the reduction in the importation of American goods into China is much less in quantity and in proportion than in those from the United Kingdom. The general reduction in the importation of cotton goods into China is apparently due, in part at least, if not in whole, to the unusually large imports of this character in 1902. The total value of cotton goods imported into China in 1902 was \$20,355,546, against \$71,749,439 in 1901, and \$56,704,770 in 1900.

PRESS COMMENT
St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It is not certain that bribery is even a conventional offense in Missouri. Nobody has been punished for it up to the present time.

New York Tribune: The new vessels of the United States navy may not have the speed of Crescens or Lou Dillon, but their recent trials have proved that they are exceptionally fleet and well worthy of popular pride and enthusiasm.

New York Mail and Express: Uncle Sam thinks he can worry along with \$624,562,146.07 for the next fiscal year. The 7 cents is probably for a bunch of firecrackers to celebrate Panama with. Let him have it.

Chicago Inter Ocean: Most of the statements made with reference to the retirement of "Tom" Platt from the activities of political life are probably made without and authority from Senator Thomas C. Platt of New York.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Cleveland's mantle has not fallen on David B. Hill. The object that fell on David was much heavier than a mantle, and it is still on him.

Nashville American: The poolroom is worse than the gambling house. It has a greater number and variety of victims, and more innocent persons, chiefly women and children, suffer by it.

Buffalo News: The hunting fatalities of Ontario for thirty days are twenty-seven killed and twice as many wounded. Only twenty were killed during the hunting season in Wisconsin and the Michigan peninsula. Perhaps Americans are not as good shots as Canadians.

Chicago Chronicle: The report that the Washington police are seeking a dangerous anarchist in Chicago is probably true enough. They will be able to find him on almost any corner at any time of day or night.

THE WOMAN WHO ARGUES.
"The woman who would argue should remember that:
Said a well-known Philadelphia club woman recently: "At times it seems to me as though woman's proverbial love of argument is only another instance of the inevitable longing for the unattainable."

"Woman has learned many things, but she has not yet learned how to argue properly."

"To receive courteously from others opinions which differ from their own is a point which even the most advanced of our sex have not yet reached."

"Those who do not think exactly as she does may after all be fairly intelligent people."

"In order to refute an argument it is always well to first hear what it is—not interrupt when it has been but half stated."

"To assert a thing emphatically is not necessarily to prove it."

Lasting Dentistry.
You bought a pretty toy last Xmas for the boy. It fell to pieces before 10 o'clock the next morning. It was cheap. Looked nice but no strength.
Some buy Teeth the same way—cheap. They get the same results—breakage, dissatisfaction, regrets. I make a plate that will be as good in 10 years as it is today. It not only looks nice when you buy it, but it stands up to the wear and tear of actual use. And the price is reasonable.

F. T. RICHARDS, D. D. S.
Office Over Hall, Sayles & Fildes' Jewelry Store, Janesville, Wis.

WANT ADS.

Letter at this office await: "A B" "J F H" "E B" "J F H" "C."

WANTED—Farm from 25 to 60 acres, with good improvements, near the city. cheap. Address Lock Box 87.

WANTED—Competent girl, liberal wages to girl competent to take entire charge of work. Mrs. Geo. S. Farmer, 411 Court St.

WANTED, at once—Job printer at Gazette.

WANTED—Boy 15 to 17 years of age, not afraid of work, to learn printers' trade. Apply at once to Gazette, Printing Department, second floor.

WANTED—A first class tea and coffee waiter. Address A. F. Gazette.

WANTED—Six carpenters for depot and work in southern Illinois. Wages \$2.25 per hour and \$4 per week. Also, a few laborers at \$2 per day. Inquire at 32 Emmett street, city.

WANTED—Ten men at once, to cut wood. Enquire at Taylor farm, Milton avenue.

WANTED—Plain sewing. Inquire at 252 Jackson street.

MAN with references, for commercial sales. man well known in the city. salary \$24 weekly, expenses advanced. The National, Caxton Bldg., Chicago.

CHINFAYNE.

A besetting sin is not a bad thing to have if you keep it under control.

When you need help the wise way is to get somebody to "holler" for you.

Men who hold jobs by cringing, generally seek to soothe their minds by shirking.

Education has a great deal to do with the difference between a man and a hog.

Judge a man by his garments is like buying a mine that has not even been prospected.

The man who takes women seriously is rapidly qualifying himself for an insane asylum.

Most of us know some time in our lives when the loss of a job was our temporal salvation.

The one redeeming feature about every town is that you can find a worse one if you try.

It is necessary to advertise, even if you are only good, and expect any material benefit from the fact.

Contrary To Opinion

The Janesville Steam Laundry
Is the place to have your washing done. Perhaps you have been led to believe that you should only send your washing to a laundry as a last resource. If you are still under this impression, come to our laundry and we will gladly show you our method of laundering. Many of the most critical people in Janesville send their linen to us, and our work pleases them.
We are confident that if we do your washing once, we will do it always.
Our work speaks for itself.

Janesville Steam Laundry.

MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' SAVINGS BANK,

JANESVILLE, WISCONSIN.

Capital and Undivided Profits.....\$125,000.00
Deposits.....\$1,250,000.00

DIRECTORS
DAVID JEFFRIES, A. H. SHEDDEN, W. S. JEFFRIES, JAMES MENZIES, M. O. MOULTON, F. C. COOK, W. H. BLADON.

Does a general banking business. Interest paid in Savings Department.

One Hundred Sick With Small Pox
The Travelers Insurance Co.
covers all sickness and accidents.
ASK
F. H. SNYDER
TELEPHONE CARLE BLOCK.

FOR RENT—One well furnished room; gas, light, furnace heat; free use of bath, at 111 South Jackson street. Address A. G. Larson.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished room, single or on suite; with or without board. 3 East street.

FOR RENT—House in good condition, five rooms. Call at 461 South Jackson St.

FOR RENT—5-room house in good repair, corner Eastern and Jerome Aves. Enquire 110 Union St.

FOR SALE—40 acres of land six miles from city. \$35 per acre. Address No. 11 River side, Wis.

MISCELLANEOUS

SACRIFICE SALE of 11-room modern house, large barn, large lot 3 blocks west of passenger depot. \$1,000 best 8 1/2 ft. lot on Milton avenue. \$1,500; also small lot 3 1/2 blocks west of passenger depot. \$240; top heavy 10 jalisco house hold goods. Address Lock Box 87.

LOST—Text book, First Book in Latin, probably in 5th year. Leave at Gazette office.

LOST—Sovereign belt buckle, being coat of arms of one of the Northwest provinces. Please return to office of clerk of circuit court.

WANTED—Men to learn barber trade. \$12 to \$18 weekly paid graduates. Few weeks completes by our method. More actual practice in two months than elsewhere in years. Tools given, board provided, diploma granted. Write for particulars. Motor Barber College, Chicago.

MRS. E. McCarthy, 276 W. Milwaukee street, will furnish help at short notice. She at home. Confections and cigars. Both Phones.

RAISE Bargains in new furniture: Four electric and quietest-saved oak sideboards, and several bed room sets; a splendid bargain from the maker's hands. Inquire 254 1/2 River St.

SPECIAL SALE

Lasting Three Days
Bitter Sweets 25c lb.
Chocolate Creams 15c lb.
Mixed Nuts at lowest Prices.
Cut Prices on all Candies and Fancy Bon Bon Boxes Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.
Baccash & Frozly
On the bridge.

21 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....\$1.00
Richelle Coffee.....20c to 38c lb.
Plum Puddings.....20c can
Plum Pudding Flour.....15c package
Turkeys, Ducks and Chickens.
Cranberries.....10c qt., 3 qts. 25c.
No. 1 Queen Olives.....50c qt.
Sweet Pickles.....20c qt.
Sour Pickles.....10c dozen
Nuts and Candies.

A. C. CAMPBELL,
3 Park Ave. New Phone 148

FIRE

Insurance, Real Estate, Loans, &c. A good farm for rent. Several good farms for sale on reasonable terms.

J. W. SCOTT.

Room 2, Phoebe Block



Direct from Japan

Beautiful cake plates, Quaint designs in cups and saucers, cream and sugar sets.

Janesville Spice Co.

Both 'Phones.

There are men whose sole ambition is to be known as the owner of a fast horse, that really represents nothing but his proprietor's purse.

The successful man is the one who can instruct others how to do his work and who can figure a profit on the product. "Uncle Dick" in Milwaukee Sentinel.

DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW.

"Honesty," said the good man, "is the best policy."

"Honesty," said the grocer, "is too much sugar for the price of sand."

"I maintain," said the debutante, "that honesty is a bore and the anti-theat of flattery."

"Beg pardon, my friend," put in the man of the world, "honesty is the short cut to poverty."

"I beg to differ," said the cynic. "In your case honesty would be the salvation of a possible suicide."

THE... Religious Problem
What will happen to you and to me hereafter? The life insurance problem is, what will happen to those dependent on us in that part of life which, so far as we are concerned, is their hereafter. Better insure today in the AETNA LIFE INSURANCE CO. and be prepared for anything that may happen.

HARLIN E. CARY, General Agent
New phone 773, 254 S. Bluff St., City

THE RACKET.

Trade in the morning and avoid the crowd. A display of dainty dollies the little girls will like. Doll carriages, 25c to \$1.00.
Children's Sleds and Sleighs, 25c to 65c.
Children's Chairs and Rockers 15c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c.
Toy China Tea Sets, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00.
Rocking Horses, 85c to \$2.50.
THOUSANDS OF TOYS FROM SANTA CLAUS WHICH WILL DELIGHT THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS MORNING.
RIDERS, 163 W. Mil. st.



Christmas Compliments and Christmas Lights

are alike obtainable here. You have our best wishes and we can supply all kinds of electrical lighting lamps, chandeliers and the wiring therefor. Whether or not we shall have that pleasure depends upon you and these few lines are to ask of you to request you to look into our methods, material and prices.

Janesville Contracting Co.

Good supply on hand of fine maple, second growth oak, large and soft slabs, all dry and of excellent quality. All kinds of coal on hand. All orders delivered promptly.

J. F. SPOON & CO.

OTHERS LEAD

I follow on their trail, selling Groceries at lower prices than they possibly can sell.

To sell cheap you must buy for cash. I have over \$8,000.00 worth of choice Groceries paid for and they are going to be sold in the next 60 days for cost, at, or below cost; call and examine.

21 pounds best granulated sugar, \$1. Best 50-cent tea, per lb., 35c. Fancy mixed tea, per lb., 50c. Best Monspen Tea, per lb., 50c. Best Combination Coffee per lb. 15c. 8 Bars Best Soap, 25c. Choice Potatoes in city, 55c. Choice Onions, per bushel, 60c. Choice Sauer Kraut per gal. 12 1/2c. Choice Plug Tobacco, 25c. Choice Cigars, 50 for \$1.00. All canned goods at cost. EVERYTHING GOES, and goes cheap.
Fancy Patent Flour, \$1.00. Rochester, N. Y. Sweet Elder for Christmas, 25c per gal. Fancy apples cheap.

W. T. VAN KIRK.

12 SOUTH RIVER ST.

For the Next Thirty Days

We will sell all Whips, Trunks, Telescopes, Suit Cases, Blankets, Robes, Harnesses and everything in our stock at ACTUAL COST.

RIKER BROS., No. 7 South Main St.

\$5.00 per ton

Collin's Soft Egg Coal,

Scranton Hard Coal all sizes.

10 cars choice second growth Oak

\$7.50 per cord sawed

SAGER'S Coal Yard

Yards North Bluff St. Phones III.

Archie Reid & Co.
DRY GOODS, CLOAKS, MILLINERY

Xmas Bargains.

About in every part of the Store. There is an excellent reason why they do. They are here because we have now on sale the biggest stock of useful and desirable Holiday Goods we have ever had and a short time left to sell them. To take no chances in carrying them over to next year we have made surprising reductions all along the line in our Holiday Stock. Just glance at the values below. Then come and see the Goods themselves and you will find that they are the best for the money ever given.

DAINTY NECKWEAR—Hundreds of beautiful stock collars, an agent's sample line, ranging in price from 25c to \$2.00 all at one-third less than regular price.

PILLOW TOPS—A beautiful display at 35c, 45c, 50c, 75c and 85c. All the new ideas.

EBONOID NOVELTIES—A sample line of sets—Military brushes and mirrors at just one-half the usual price.

EIDERDOWN DRESSING SACQUES—Some very handsome ones at \$1.25, others more elaborate at higher prices.

HANDKERCHIEFS—Our lines are great at 2c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 19c and 25c and up to \$1.50.

RIBBONS—Wide ribbons 20 and 25c values at 12 1/2c.

LADIES' KID GLOVES—3 lines at 65, 89 and \$1.00 all guaranteed.

FURS—You can find all kinds and at all prices here. Great values in scarfs at \$2.50, \$3.50 and \$5.00 and up to \$35.00. We call particular attention to our 54-inch Sable Fox Scarf at \$10.00.

COATS—Our prices are lower than the half price sales. Our assortment is large and styles correct. There is not a stock in the store but offers something that's good, cheap and serviceable for those who buy sensible gifts.

LOWELLS

XMAS SPECIALS

THE BEST OF THE GOOD THINGS ARE TO BE FOUND HERE. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS "TALK TO LOWELL" CHRISTMAS TREES, HOLLY WREATHS, LITTLE COLORED CANDLES AND ALL THE FANCY DECORATIONS FOR THE TREE.

APPLES
Baldwins, \$2.75 & \$3.00. Northern Spies, \$3.00. Russets, \$3.25. Greenings, \$3.75.

COFFEE
The best 50c Tea in the city. Our 25c Coffee can't be equaled in Janesville.

CANDIES.

Large stock and great variety of candies for the holiday trade. Chocolates, Bon Bons, Mixed Candies, Etc., Etc. Christmas Tree Cakes, 1c each.

NUTS.

Mixed Nuts, 15c lb. Soft Shell Walnuts, 18c lb. Brazil, 15c lb. Pecans, 15c lb. Almonds, 15c lb. Filberts, 15c lb. Hickory, 8c quart.

Heinz' Mince Meat, 15c lb. Mince Meat in Pkgs, 8c lb. Choice Raisins, 8c lb. Large Table Raisins, 15c lb. Malaga Grapes, 18c lb. 7 lbs. Pearl Tapioca, 25c. 7 lbs. Rice, 25c. Janesville Corn, per can, 8c. Best 2-lb. can Tomatoes, 8c. Hormel's Country New York cheese, 15c lb.

Fresh new dates, 5c lb. 8 lbs. Sweet Potatoes, 25c. Large Sweet Oranges, 20¢/25¢ doz.

Bulk olives, per qt. 30c. Ashland's Best Flour. High-starch Patent Grade. Per Sack, \$1.10.

Alpha Salad Cream, 25c. Cooled Sour Kraut, 3-lb. cans, 10c.

Large Dill Pickles, each, 1c. Sour Pickles, 10c qt. Sweet Gherkins, 25c qt. Sweet Mildrels, 35c qt. Sweet Mixed, 30c qt.

MEAT DEPARTMENT

Fine Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Chickens, Beef and Pork Tenderloin and Sausages of all kinds.

Fine Turkeys, Ducks, Geese, Chickens, Beef and Pork Tenderloin and Sausages of all kinds.

LOWELL CO.

FANCY HOGS DIE BY THE HUNDREDS

CHOLERA DESTROYED \$10,000 WORTH NEAR BELOIT.

LOVEJOY IS A HEAVY LOSER

Even Though He Hired Experts To Care for Them They Died by the Dozen.

With the loss of 102 high bred Berkshire hogs out of a herd of 175 on his stock farm south of Roscoe, President A. J. Lovejoy of the Beloit Interstate Fair and Driving Association is experiencing the fact that hog cholera is no respecter of social lines in pigdom. No matter how good the surroundings are, nor the amount of care bestowed, the dread disease sweeps the pigs away relentlessly.

\$5,000 Loss
"Figuring my loss at half price," said Mr. Lovejoy, "I have already dropped \$5,000 cold cash as a result of this experience. It is a germ disease and is liable to attack the best kept and highest bred animals just as quick as the commonest culls on the farm. We have been fighting it with anti-toxin and feel now that we have the disease about under control."

Had an Expert
"As soon as the disease broke out we engaged an expert to come out from Chicago to treat the hogs and he has worked hard to overcome the lead the cholera had before he arrived. Taken in time and followed up carefully anti-toxin is proving itself a valuable remedy. It has to be given in hypodermic injections and our stock has been treated three times a day. Those that could be caught before the disease had a firm hold, have been saved and the most valuable thing about it is that they will be immune from the disease in the future and thus be worth much more than the ones that have not been treated. I think we shall use it every year hereafter as a preventive. It costs a good deal but it is worth the price, and we don't want to go through another such a saga as we have had this year if we can help it."

SHIES ITS CASTER INTO THE ARENA

Recorder Printing Co. Makes Sundry Demands of Council—Wants Mayor and Clerk to Pay or Be Sued.

The Recorder Printing Co., Peter J. Monat, president, served papers Mayor A. O. Wilson and City Clerk Badger yesterday and last night made a written demand on the council that it take steps to recover from the first named the sum of \$66 received out of the funds of the city on November 5 as a compensation for services rendered on the board of review; and likewise from A. E. Badger the sum of \$67.50 received for similar services. It was further demanded that the city and council take steps to recover all sums paid to either or both of these men for such services during their terms of office and that actions be commenced forthwith in order that they may be tried in the next ensuing February term of the circuit court. Alderman Lowell later in the evening introduced the resolution calling on the city attorney to make the demands above outlined and in event of the refusal of the interested parties to comply to bring action against them in the courts. Most of the aldermen only smiled. Judge Sale moved that the order be referred to the judiciary committee. Motion carried.

LOCAL JOTTINGS

Attention Elks: All members of Janesville Lodge 254 are requested to be present this evening as the C. C. G. E. R. is expected to be present. Work and a social. W. G. Wheeler, G. E. R.

Have a New Sign: Parker Pen Co. have recently put up a new sign at the entrance to their factory on South Main street in the shape of a large fountain pen. It is very unique in design, and attracts much attention.

Fractured an Arm: As the result of a severe fall on the slippery walk in front of the Y. M. C. A. building, Mrs. T. C. Ryckham is confined to her home on Wall street with a fractured left arm.

Secured the Child: John Wohlend of Monroe appeared in circuit court yesterday in the habeas corpus proceedings commenced to award to him the care and custody of 13-year-old Charles Deneer. J. C. Baker, the guardian appointed after the habeas corpus proceedings were instituted, was warned not to interfere on payment of a fine for contempt of court. The boy showed marked preferences for Mr. Wohlend.

Wedding Christmas Eve: Joseph Gessell, a former Janesville boy who is now a well known and genial conductor on the Interurban, will be married at six o'clock Thursday afternoon to Miss Lyford of Roscoe at the home of the bride's parents. The Orpheus Mandolin club will furnish the music.

Tax Notice
Having received the tax roll for La Prairie, will be at A. C. Munger's grocery store, Janesville, Dec. 26, 1904, and every Saturday in January, 1905. Will be at Tiffany's department store, Janesville, every Thursday, J. W. Frost, Treasurer.

Club House maple syrup, 1 qt. 20c, 3 lbs. crackers and 1 qt. oysters, 50c.
Nice pop corn, per lb. 2c.
Golden russet apple cider, per gal. 25c.
Nice large cranberries, per qt. 8c.
Florida oranges, per doz. 15 & 20c.
White clover honey, per lb. 15c.
Shelled Burk hickory nuts, per qt. 5c.
By the peck, 3 shillings.
8 lbs. sweet potatoes, 25c.

THE FAIR.
Finest lot of pictures for Christmas presents in the city. J. H. Myers.

LODGE MEETINGS TONIGHT

Janesville City Lodge, No. 90, I. O. O. F., at West Side Old Fellows hall, Janesville Lodge, No. 254, B. P. O. E., at K. P. hall.
Colony No. 2, B. R. F. F., at Good Templars' hall.
Women's Catholic Order of Foresters at Foresters' hall.
Beavers' Reserve Fund.
Janesville Garrison No. 19, Knights of the Globe, at East Side Old Fellows hall.
Machinists' union at Assembly hall.

FUTURE EVENTS

Children's Christmas Exercises at the Congregational church, Thursday evening, December 24.
Free-Will offering of provisions and food for poor, by the children of Court street, Methodist church, Thursday evening. Admission to exercises—one potato.
Christmas exercises and offering for the poor by children of First Baptist church, Thursday evening. Admission—an apple.
Christian Entertainment of children of First Presbyterian church, Thursday evening. Cantata "Christmas Greeting."
Sunday school children of St. Mary's catholic church have a Christmas tree in chapel at 7:30, Thursday evening.
Christmas tree for the children at Christ Episcopal church at five o'clock, Thursday evening.
"The Isle of Spices" Christmas day matinee and evening performance at theatre, December 25.
Trinity Episcopal church Christmas tree will be held Monday evening, December 28. Preceded by supper for children.

NOTICE TO OUR ADVERTISING PATRONS.

Owing to the rush preceding the holidays it becomes urgent in order to insure prompt and correct insertion that copy for advertising be in our hands the evening before the date for publication.
We might also remind you that the more time you give our "ad" men in which to get up your advertisement the tastier appearing advertisement you will get.

GAZETTE PRINTING CO.

BRIEF BITS OF LOCAL NEWS

Talk to Lowell.
The Fair store will be open every night until Christmas.

Boot and Shoe Workers Union are making preparations for a dancing party Tuesday, January 19 th.

You never saw a finer display of handkerchiefs than we are showing this season. T. P. Burns.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Retail Clerks Association of the city are planning for a dancing party at Assembly hall on January 12th.

Carpets, rugs, curtains, and draperies make nice Christmas presents. Get our prices. T. P. Burns.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." St. Patrick's Court, Women Catholic Order of Foresters are arranging for a New Year's party at Central hall, Thursday January 7th.

Special inducements on table linen, towels and napkins to holiday purchasers. T. P. Burns.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Fountain pen sale at Skelly's.

We have a very beautiful line of pictures, nothing nicer for a Christmas present at way down prices. Savings Store.

We are showing a very attractive line of ladies' neckwear, purses, hand bags, belts and umbrellas. T. P. Burns.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Our stock of furs is unusually large and we are making very attractive prices on them to holiday purchasers. T. P. Burns.

Our line of dinner sets, lamps, chamber sets most complete and at low-rock prices. Savings Store.

T. P. Burns has one counter devoted to fancy articles which are all suitable for Christmas presents.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Christmas books at Skelly's book store.

Nothing more acceptable for Xmas than one of those flowering plants at the Main Street Greenhouse.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." The finest line of flowering plants ever shown for Xmas at the Main Street Greenhouse.

Fancy china. Skelly's book store. Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Home made mince meat. Taylor Bros.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Beautiful line of Catholic prayer books and rosary beads at Skelly's book store. Cut price sale this week.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Turkeys, ducks, geese and chickens. Taylor Bros.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." The cheapest place in the city for Christmas candles. Taylor Bros.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Mixed nuts, 16c per lb., 2 pounds for 25c. Taylor Bros.

Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." Two days more to "Talk to Lowell." See the large assortment of ladies' waists, white aprons, sweaters and muslin underwear we are showing. T. P. Burns.

Solman's carriage heaters and coal, best in the market. Prices right. For sale by Bicknell Hardware Co. Fancy candy boxes, 3c, 5c, 7c and 8c. The Nichols company, 21 & 23 W. Milwaukee St.

Dressed turkeys at 17c a lb. at The Fair store.

GRAND JURY IN CHICAGO TAKES UP UNION QUESTION
Will Hear Testimony on Strike's Violence from Detectives.

(Special by Scripps-McRae.)
Chicago, Dec. 22.—The grand jury today resumed investigation of strike violence. Pinkertons called before the inquisitorial body and it is believed they will give evidence upon which several indictments against unions as a body and as individuals will be brought.

Michael Minnehan
Funeral services over the remains of the late Michael Minnehan will be held Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock from St. Patrick's church,

MARKET TALK ON CHICAGO MARKET

Latest Gossip from the Closing Reports of the Windy City's Mart.

The wheat market opened very tame with little trading and the whole session was dull, stale and unprofitable. An extreme fluctuation of one-half cent was about all there was to it. Northwest receipts reversed position today and were 200 cars greater than last year. Cables were lower, good weather was reported in Argentina and the crowd were inclined to sell. The war news acted as a check to any pronounced selling move and the market was worked in a narrow range by local traders, there being no indication of support, attempt to sell the market by the bull party. The close was steady. We favor the buying side on any break. The chances all seem to favor this position.

Corn market was as dull and featureless as wheat, only more so. The dealings were purely local, outside being entirely absent. A trifling decline was made but it is only a scalp market. Wait for a sharp break then buy it for keeps.

Oats followed suit with the other cereal markets. Trade very small and entirely professional. No feature to it. Would only buy it on a good break.

Provisions were easier. Heavy receipts expected today, and the yards people were inclined to depress the market. Would buy May pork under 1200 and keep buying it. Floyd, Crawford & Co.

NEWS OF A PERSONAL NATURE.

M. G. Jeffris left Monday morning for Chicago on business.

Rev. W. A. Goebel transacted business in Milwaukee yesterday.

G. A. Shortell returned last evening from a few days business trip to Milwaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schultz have welcomed a 12 pound boy to their South River street home yesterday.

John J. Crowley, of St. Louis, is in the city to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. John J. Crowley, Ravine street.

Dr. Bennett of Beloit was in the city today. He was called to attend a patient in the country.

Mrs. H. W. Frick and son left this afternoon for Freeport.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rice left for Beloit this afternoon.

Mrs. Hannah Baumann leaves tomorrow morning for Merrill.

Conductor John Doherty has resumed his duties on the Interurban line after a brief convalescence.

Mrs. Fred Howe left this morning for a visit with Chicago friends.

Attorney Will Dougherty transacted legal business at Milton Junction today.

W. H. Duke and family leave tomorrow over the C. & N. W. R'y for an extended trip to Portland, Oregon, and other coast cities.

George McKee went to Fort Atkinson this morning on business.

C. D. Jackson transacted business in Milwaukee today.

F. S. Balow went to Madison this morning to look after his business interests there.

Architect Kemp of Beloit was in the city for a few hours this morning.

Miss Jessie McCrea of Afton spent yesterday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pearson of Milton visited friends in the city yesterday.

Mr. E. Raymond and daughter, Miss Lou, spent yesterday in the city.

Miss Helen McChesney is expected home this evening from Ormsby hall where she has been pursuing a course of studies.

Miss Alice Ruger has returned home from an extended visit in Washington, D. C.

Ladies' Slippers for Xmas
Hundreds of people have already taken advantage of the exceptional bargains offered in ladies' slippers at the store of The Maynard Shoe Co. Very fine ladies' slippers suitable for a Christmas gift, that formerly sold for \$1.50, are now being sold for 98 cents. Few women are letting this exceptionally bargain go begging.

MILITIA CAPTAIN IS ACQUITTED
Court-Martial Finds Charges Against Aurora Man Are Groundless.

Aurora, Ill., Dec. 22.—Captain Albert Lindsay of company I, Third regiment, Illinois National guard, of this city has been officially acquitted of the several charges on which he was given a court-martial in this city a month ago. Charges were brought against the captain alleging that he appropriated funds belonging to the company. S. N. Hoover of Aurora was Captain Lindsay's attorney.

Wants Port-Close.
Tien-Tsin, Dec. 22.—Prince Ching, minister of foreign affairs, has asked the American minister not to insist on the opening of Mukden to foreign trade.

CONSUMPTIVE TAKES HIS LIFE
Hospitals Refuse to Admit Him Because He Has No Money.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 22.—Joseph Orquist of Sioux Rapids, Ia., was refused admission to two public hospitals here because he could not deposit \$75 to guarantee payment of expenses, and later he hanged himself in a hotel. Orquist told the hotel clerk he had nothing to live for, as he was slowly dying from consumption. The hospitals, supposed to be charitable institutions, admit rejecting the man when he applied for admission.

Old Slave Is Dead.
Piqua, O., Dec. 22.—James Rial, one of the original Randolph slaves, died at the county infirmary here. His age was between 102 and 103 years, he having no knowledge as to the date of his birth. He had lived in Piqua since 1816.

HOME-COMING TRAVEL BEGINS

FIRST ECHOES LOCALLY WERE NOTED FRIDAY.

THE STUDENTS ARE FIRST

Scores Are Returning From Colleges, While Hundreds Will Come This Week.

The rush of the Christmas traveling has commenced and from this time until well after the holidays the railroads will have their hands— or more properly their cars—well filled.

The holiday season is a favorite time for visiting relatives and it is especially the home-coming period. Students at school and men and women of mature years all seek the paternal roof when one steps on the cars. Men who have long lived in the cities are turning their thoughts just now the old farm home and those in the greater cities are planning to freshen the ties which bind their hearts to the smaller towns which they still call home.

The first local move of this great movement came Friday. At that time the first installment of the young men and young women, who go from this city to study, came back for the vacation. Likewise the students and teachers of Janesville schools scattered for their homes all over the northwest, thus furnishing a not inconsiderable bit of traffic for the local offices.

Last evening the trains were crowded and on the depot platforms were dozens of persons awaiting the arrival of their friends and relatives. Tomorrow the rush will be on in earnest and its momentum will gradually increase until Thursday when it will reach its height.

The railroad agents estimate that the passenger traffic in and out of Janesville during the coming week will be in excess of 5,000 which may aid in giving an idea of what this home coming season means.

Millionaires Scarce in France.
Not more than 2,500 persons in Paris have a capital of as much as \$200,000, and nearly one-third of those are foreigners.

Special lot of 50 small, white, young turkeys from 8 to 10 lbs. each, and about as many more of larger birds from 15 lbs. up. Our judgment is that the lot will be 20c lb.

Young ducks, 15c lb.
Beef tenderloins, 18c lb., the lowest price ever sold at in Janesville.

Young spring chickens, 12 1/2c.
Year old chickens, 10c.
Home baked ham, 30c.

Cooked corn beef, 15c.
Cooked pork loin, 25c.
Home made potato bread, 5c loaf or 6 for 25c.

Home made all pig pork sausage, made from the loins and hams only, 16c lb.

Five lb. hickory sausage, bologna and Frankfurts, 10c lb.

Best round steaks, 10c.
Good boiling beef, 6c to 8c.
Mistake in beautiful sprigs full of the waxy berries. Christmas trees, 25c to 50c each. Wreathings by coil or yard.

Beautiful Christmas wreaths.
Satin honey comb candy, 40c lb.
Sunshine Kisses, in many beautiful colors and shapes, 10, 15 and 25c bottles.

Bitter sweet chocolates direct from Haber & Co., 35c lb.
1000 fancy candy boxes from 3 to 5c each.

Home made potato chips, 15c qt.
Home made Bannock Tarts, 25c doz.
Home made humble shells, 30c doz.
GRUBB PRODUCE CO.

Santa Claus On 2nd Floor THE FAIR

For this week we will be Headquarters for all kinds of small and large goods for Christmas.

Fine stationery per box 10c to 50c
Good books, 2 for 25c
Children's books, 5c to 25c
Fancy ink stands, 25c to 1.50

PICTURE ALBUMS and **TOILET SETS.**
Dolls from 10c to 2.75.

Small toys, an endless variety—Wagons, Sleds, Go-Carts, Dolls, Buggies, Rocking Horses, etc., etc.

Dishes, Fine China, Semi-Porcelain, White and Colored China, Decorated.

Japan Ware, Lamps etc.

Store Open Evenings All this week

2nd Floor THE FAIR

NEW GAS LIGHT CO.

ON RETURN TRIP FROM CZAR'S LAND

Prof. and Mrs. H. L. Bolley Stop a Janesville on Return from Seven Months' Sojourn in Russia.

Prof. and Mrs. H. L. Bolley have arrived in Janesville to spend the holidays at the home of the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Shelton. They are on their way home to Fargo, South Dakota, after spending seven months in the interior of Russia where Prof. Bolley was sent to study the diseases of flax in the interests of the agricultural department of the United States government. Most of the time was spent in the great flax-growing country near Moscow. Prof. Bolley is identified with the agricultural college of the University of Dakota.

QUIETLY WEDDED AT REV. ELY'S

Miss Lulu Bunt Was Married in Rockford on Monday Afternoon.

Lulu Bunt of this city and Walter Anderson of Oregon, Wis., were married at the home of Rev. Ely, the Presbyterian minister of Rockford, yesterday afternoon. They were accompanied by the bride's sister, Mary Bunt, and Mr. P. Justinger. They shortly afterward took the Interurban for Janesville. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bunt and the groom is a well known resident of Oregon, and is at present employed in telephone construction at Kewanee, Ill.

Pays a Fine: Henry C. Mills who pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny yesterday and for whom sentence was suspended until today, was summoned to municipal court at 3 o'clock this afternoon and sentenced pronounced. The judge decreed that he should pay a fine of \$100 and costs. The money was forthcoming through the kindness of Mrs. Mills' relatives and he is now a free man.

Nohr Funeral
The funeral will be held at the house at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. J. C. Koerner of this city will officiate. Interment will be at Afton cemetery.

Picture sale. J. H. Myers. Greatly reduced prices on all goods. J. H. Myers.

FOR A Xmas Gift for Gentlemen

Nothing better than a Stylish Hat. The Kingsbury, in December Blacks, are here. Derbies, Golf and Fedoras.

T. I. ZIEGLER CLOTHING CO.

YOU KNOW
Quality counts—all coal is NOT alike—ours, whether hard or soft, comes from mines that have a reputation for quality and uniformity.

We are sure we've got just what you want. A trial order will convince you.

Peoples Coal Co.
Yard, 9 Adams St., New Phone 293.
City Office, Badger Drug Co., Both Phones 175.

Practical Gifts
are those that are of use at all times.

PORTABLE Welsbach Lamps
FROM \$3.00 to \$15.00

make the best sort of holiday gifts.

New selections.

NEW GAS LIGHT CO.

APPLICATION FOR FRANCHISE MADE

And Document Advanced to First and Second Readings in Council Chamber Last Night.

The Southern Wisconsin Interurban Railway Co., Michael Hayes, president, applied to the city council last night for a franchise to operate in the city of Janesville. The application was accompanied by an affidavit showing that the proposed franchise had been published two weeks, and a petition for the granting of said franchise signed by 336 persons. The matter was referred to the highway and judiciary committees and later in the evening, on motion of Judge Sale, was advanced to its first and second reading. It should therefore come up for final action at the meeting to be held Monday evening, January 4.

Santa Claus

Buy his candies and nuts here, hundreds of pounds every year.

Our alship just arrived with a lot of good things: you'll surely want some as soon as you see them.

Extra dates, lb.38c
Imported figs, lb.14c
Imported grapes, lb.20c
Imported Cluster Rais.25c
Ins.25c
Eisle Cheese, lb.20c
Vermont Cheese, lb.12c
New York Cheese, lb.16c
Wis. Cheese, lb.15c
Vermont Sage, lb.20c
Imperial Jar10c
Vermont Roquefort, lb. 15c
Canada Cream10c
Mixed Nuts, 1 1/2, 15, 18c
Xmas Candy, 3 lbs.25c
Jumbo Navels, doz.,40c
Large Navels, doz.,30c
Lettuce, head,5c
Parsley, beh.,5c
Green Onions & Radishes.
Jumbo Celery, beh.,10c
Small Celery, beh.,5c
Grape Fruit, each,12c
Plum Pudding, can.,10c
Fruit Cakes, bx.,25c
Shelled Walnuts, lb.,40c
Shelled Pecans, lb.,60c
Shelled Hickory, lb.,60c
Shelled Almonds, lb.,60c
Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, lb.,20c
Fresh Oysters, qt.,35c
Marasquin Cherries, oz. 5c
Sweet Cider, gal.,30c
H. M. Mince Meat, lb. 12 1/2c
PINES, WREATHING, HOLLY, XMAS TREES

YOU NEED

a good fire to prepare it properly. Our ECONOMY coals just what you want. It will not disappoint you. When doing your Xmas shopping, leave your order for your coal at our office.

Janesville Coal Co.,
Phone 89, Office, Riverside Laundry, Yards, South River & Oak Sts.

ARE YOU THINKING OF A KODAK AS A XMAS GIFT?
It may be just the right thing. They come in many different styles and prices. The No. 2 Bullseye Kodak at \$8.00 is a splendid little instrument. Ask for catalogue.

Our new perfume, BRILLIANT LILY is a fine odor. Only 50c an ounce.

SMITH'S PHARMACY
2 Registered Pharmacists.
Kodaks and Kodak Supplies.

Dedrick Brothers
PHONE 9

YOU KNOW
Quality counts—all coal is NOT alike—ours, whether hard or soft, comes from mines that have a reputation for quality and uniformity.

We are sure we've got just what you want. A trial order will convince you.

Peoples Coal Co.
Yard, 9 Adams St., New Phone 293.
City Office, Badger Drug Co., Both Phones 175.

Practical Gifts
are those that are of use at all times.

PORTABLE Welsbach Lamps
FROM \$3.00 to \$15.00

make the best sort of holiday gifts.

New selections.

NEW GAS LIGHT CO.

YOU KNOW
Quality counts—all coal is NOT alike—ours, whether hard or soft, comes from mines that have a reputation for quality and uniformity.

We are sure we've got just what you want. A trial order will convince you.

Peoples Coal Co.
Yard, 9 Adams St., New Phone 293.
City Office, Badger Drug Co., Both Phones 175.

Practical Gifts
are those that are of use at all times.

PORTABLE Welsbach Lamps
FROM \$3.00 to \$15.00

make the best sort of holiday gifts.

New selections.

NEW GAS LIGHT CO.

YOU KNOW
Quality counts—all coal is NOT alike—ours, whether hard or soft, comes from mines that have a reputation for quality and uniformity.

We are sure we've got just what you want. A trial order will convince you.

Peoples Coal Co.
Yard, 9 Adams St., New Phone 293.
City Office, Badger Drug Co., Both Phones 175.

Practical Gifts
are those that are of use at all times.

PORTABLE Welsbach Lamps
FROM \$3.00 to \$15.00

make the best sort of holiday gifts.

New selections.

Coming Attractions.

THE ISLE OF SPICE.

One of the hits of the Chicago season was "The Isle of Spice," which will be presented at the Myers Grand, Christmas, matinee and evening. No musical comedy produced in the last several years has apparently met with more favor than did this one. From the reports sent at the time of its opening at the LaSalle theatre, where it ran for five months consecutively, it may be gathered that a wealth of deliciously beautiful melodies together with a story of real interest, chuck full of the brightest humor, interpreted by a company of unquestioned merit, and beautifully costumed and mounted, are worthy of interest out of the ordinary. This piece enjoyed the distinction of the most pronounced hit of the many successes produced by Messrs. F. C. and E. C. Whitney.

...Forty Years Ago...

Janesville Daily Gazette, Tuesday, December 22, 1863.—Enlistments in Wisconsin.—During the week ending Saturday, over 500 enlisted men left Camp Randall for the seat of war, and over 400 recruits lay at the camp waiting to be mustered in. Heartily and soldierly recruits are daily received from the recruiting parties in the various sections of the state.

Ladies' Fair.—The fair at the Myers house tomorrow evening should be remembered and liberally encouraged. Much time and considerable expense has been gratuitously bestowed by the ladies who have prepared it, and the proceeds will be devoted to the best object which can appeal to the benevolence of our city.

How They Are Placed.—The "democratic" representatives in congress from this state are thus located on the house committees: Mr. Brown, last on elections; Mr. Wheeler, last on committee for District of Columbia; Mr. Eldridge, sixth on

revolutionary claims.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Special to Tribune.—The arrangements by which all matters connected with the exchange of prisoners have been turned over to Gen. Butler will be permanent. Gen. Meredith, who has hitherto been ordered to report to him.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Senate.—Mr. Howe submitted a joint resolution for the relief of the state of Wisconsin.

Sidewalks.—A commendable spirit is shown by some of our citizens in cleaning off their sidewalks, since the laudable example set by "the editor." Squire Rogers and the mayor have been at work with a pick and shovel, and others who have been tardy are getting at work. There are, however, too many delinquents yet, for their own credit, or the benefit for pedestrians. J. C. Jenkins, among others, need not consider this as having a personal application.

LODGE CALENDAR.

Masonic.

Western Star Lodge, No. 14, F. and A. M.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Janesville Lodge, No. 55, F. and A. M.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Janesville Chapter, No. 5, H. A. M.—1st and 3rd Thursday.
Janesville Commandery, No. 2, K. T.—2nd and 4th Thursday.
Janesville Chapter, No. 60, O. E. S.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.
I. O. O. F.
Wisconsin Lodge, No. 14.—Every Wednesday.
Janesville City Lodge, No. 90.—Every Tuesday.

Rock River Encampment, No. 5.—1st and 3rd Friday.
Canton Janesville, No. 6, Patriarchs Militant.—2nd and 4th Friday.
American Lodge, No. 28, D. of R. 2nd and 4th Saturday.
Social and Benefit Club.—1st Thursday.
Janesville Lodge, No. 171, D. of R.—2nd and 4th Thursday.
Catholic Knights of Wisconsin, Branch, No. 60.—1st Sunday.
Elks.
Janesville Lodge, No. 254.—Every Tuesday.

G. A. R.
W. H. Sargent Post, No. 28.—2nd and 4th Friday.
W. H. Sargent Corps, No. 21, W. H. C.—Every Wednesday.
Hibernians.
Division, No. 1.—2nd Sunday.
Knights of the Globe.
Janesville Garrison, No. 10.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Knights of the Macabees.
Rock River Tent, No. 51.—1st and 3rd Monday.
Rock River Tribe, No. 71, Ladies of the Macabees.—1st and 3rd Monday.
Knights of Pythias.
Oriental Lodge, No. 22.—Meets every Friday.

Modern Woodmen of America.
Pence Camp No. 261.—2nd and 4th Monday.
Crest Camp, No. 125.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.
National Union.
Janesville Council, No. 238.—1st Tuesday.
United Workmen.
Oliver Branch, No. 86.—2nd and 4th Friday.
Oliver Lodge, No. 27, Degree of Honor.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Laurel Lodge, No. 2, Degree of Honor.—1st and 3rd Thursday.
Badger Council, No. 223, Royal Arcanum.—2nd and 4th Monday.
Independent Order of Foresters.—4th Monday.
Mystic Workers of the World.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Omega Council, No. 214, Royal League.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Women's Catholic Order of Foresters.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Beavers.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Colony, No. 2, B. H. F. F.—4th Tuesday.

St. Patrick's Court, No. 818.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Crest Camp, No. 132, B. N. A.
Rock River Tribe, P. of H.
Ben Hur Court, No. 1, Tribe of Ben Hur.—2nd and 4th Thursday.
Knights of Columbus.—1st and 3rd Thursday.
People's Lodge, No. 480, I. O. G. T.—Every Friday.
Bower City Circle, No. 31, Germania Unterstuetzungs Verein.—3rd Friday.
Janesville Council, No. 108, U. C. T.—1st and 3rd Saturday.
Janesville Assembly of Equitable Fraternal Union, No. 171, meets the first and third Mondays of each month at the Caledonian hall, Carle block.

Retail Clerks' Union.—3rd Tuesday.
Janesville City Lodge, No. 10.—Every Tuesday.
Janesville Assembly of Equitable Fraternal Union, No. 171, meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at the Caledonian hall, Carle block.
St. Patrick's Court, No. 318, W. C. O. S. meets 1st and 3rd Mondays in the month.

Labor Organizations.
Journeyman Barbers' Union.—1st Monday.
Painters, Paperhangers & Decorators Union.—1st and 3rd Monday.
Journeyman Tailors' Union.—2nd Monday.
Leather Workers.
Brewers' Union.—1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Retail Clerks' Union.—3rd Tuesday.
Machinists' Union.—2nd and 4th Tuesday.
Federal Labor Union.—1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Typographical Union.—1st Wednesday.
Trades Council, Building Trades Council.—2nd and 4th Wednesday.
Woodworkers' Union.—4th Thursday.
Cigar Makers' Union.—2nd Wednesday.
Boot & Shoe Workers' Union.—1st Thursday.
Plumbers' Union.—1st and 3rd Thursday.
Teamsters' Union.—1st and 3rd Thursday.
Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' Union.—1st and 3rd Friday.

Postoffice Loses Grade.
Washington, Dec. 22.—Havelock (Neb.) postoffice has been relegated from the presidential grade to the fourth class.

A CARD.
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Green's warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on box.

S. C. BURNHAM & CO.
BEAUTIFUL CUT GLASS STERLING SILVER.
See the Window.

REVOKES LAND ORDER.

To Consider Entries Under the Timber and Stone Law.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The secretary of the interior has revoked the order under which final action on entries under the timber and stone act were suspended, and all such entries will be acted upon in the regular order by the general land office. The order involves several hundred thousand acres of public domain in the West, all entries on which have been held up because of the big frauds perpetrated on the government. A large number of entries are being withheld from final action, and all in which John A. Benson, the San Francisco man recently arrested here, was interested have been suspended. It was intimated at the interior department that no further arrests were expected until the date of the hearing in the Benson case, which is scheduled for Dec. 30, unless something demanding immediate action should be revealed in the investigation of the land office records now in progress in connection with the cases in the West. The status of Woodford D. Harlan, a clerk in the land office, and until about a year ago chief of the special service division, has caused considerable speculation.

BOND OPERATIONS.

Secretary Shaw Will Suspend Refunding on Dec. 31.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Shaw has decided to suspend refunding operations, to take effect Dec. 31. Last spring the secretary offered to refund government bonds to the amount of \$100,000,000 and under that offer eighty odd millions were surrendered. It had been the secretary's idea that \$100,000,000 ought to be refunded. Sept. 23 of this year he made another offer to refund the 3 per cent bonds of 1907 and the 4 per cent of 1907 and was willing to accept it up to the amount of not more than \$20,000,000. It is explained that it is practically certain before the end of the year the amount of bonds offered under the proposition of Sept. 23 will reach \$20,000,000, so that the total amount of bonds refunded will be about \$100,000,000 and that bank circulation will be sufficiently increased to show the wisdom of the offer.

HAY'S ILLNESS ALARMS.

Secretary of State Falls to Rally From Attack of Bronchitis.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Hay is so ill with bronchitis that he was obliged to remain in bed through out a conference with President Roosevelt and Wayne MacVeagh. His condition causes his friends anxiety. It was two weeks ago that he began to feel ill. A heavy cold which had developed by the following morning prevented him from going to the state department, although the Panama situation was then acute. The cold soon developed a painful form of bronchitis.

Must Identify Pensioners.

Washington, Dec. 22.—It is stated at the treasury department that where a pension certificate has been issued to a woman who personated the widow of a deceased pensioner and pension agents' checks have been drawn payable to her and delivered to her upon vouchers executed by her, and the bank cashed such checks, which were in due course paid at the treasury upon which drawn, the government will make reclamation of the amount. In other words, bankers and other persons who cash pension checks are charged with the responsibility of establishing the identity of payees of such checks to the same extent that they are charged with the responsibility of establishing the identity of the payees of checks issued in ordinary commercial transactions.

Benefits Sale of Pines.
Washington, Dec. 22.—Mr. Squires, United States minister to Cuba, has arrived at Washington and reports to Acting Secretary of State Loomis that the Cuban government practically had accepted all the suggestions the state department had put forth relative to the sale of pines, namely, the establishment of schools, provision for a modified form of judicial proceeding and the opening of a port for the convenience of American settlers on the island.

Prepares for Reciprocity.
Washington, Dec. 22.—The secretary of the treasury has issued a circular letter of instructions to officers of the customs service and others interested in bringing into operation the treaty of reciprocity with Cuba. The circular declares that the treaty becomes operative one minute after midnight Dec. 27.

West Virginia's Statue.
Washington, Dec. 22.—A marble statue of "War Governor" Francis H. Pierpont of West Virginia was placed in St. John's hall at the capitol, under the invitation of congress to each of the states to place in the capital statues of two of their "illustrious sons."

Elkhart Company Falls.
Elkhart, Ind., Dec. 22.—Louis Dornier was appointed receiver of the National Manufacturing company property. The assets are estimated at \$125,000 and the liabilities at \$175,000.

Plan Massacre of Jews.
Berlin, Dec. 22.—The Tagblatt reports that a new massacre of Jews is being planned at Kishinev for Christmas day. The Jews are fleeing.

Postoffice Loses Grade.
Washington, Dec. 22.—Havelock (Neb.) postoffice has been relegated from the presidential grade to the fourth class.

A CARD.
We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Green's warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.
Take laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on box.

S. C. BURNHAM & CO.
BEAUTIFUL CUT GLASS STERLING SILVER.
See the Window.

A CHARMING HOSTESS.

Countess Cassini, Who Presides Over the Russian Embassy.

Countess Marguerite Cassini, the new leader of the ladies of the diplomatic corps at Washington, by virtue of her position as head of the household of the Russian ambassador, is the grandniece and adopted daughter of Count Arthur Cassini, dean of the foreign corps.

The countess holds her title in her own right, not by inheritance, but by special grace of the czar, and a curious story is told of the manner in which she won her title.

It was back in the early nineties when Count Cassini had his fateful



COUNTESS MARGUERITE CASSINI.

conference with Li Hung Chang at Peking; long before the Boxer troubles. The countess interpreted for Li; long before the Boxer troubles. The countess interpreted for Li; long before the Boxer troubles. The countess interpreted for Li; long before the Boxer troubles.

She is a very young woman to hold so trying a social position, having just celebrated her twenty-third birthday. She is tall and graceful, with a beautifully rounded figure, dark brown hair and expressive eyes. She is pliant, her manners are winsome, and she speaks with a slight lisp. From her earliest childhood she has been her uncle's favorite and since completing her education has been his constant companion.

By many she is considered one of the handsomest women of the diplomatic corps and, moreover, is immensely popular, not only with girls of her own age, but with the dignified statesmen and diplomats who are her uncle's frequent guests.

She is fond of outdoor life and is frequently seen walking, riding or driving about the streets of Washington. Tennis and golf claim a share of her attention in their season, and she is an expert automobilist, having been one of the first ladies in Washington to take up this form of amusement.

THE MANDARIN JACKET.

It is a New Feature of the Smart Woman's Wardrobe.

We are not only trying to take part of John Chinaman's country away from him, but the modern smart woman has stolen the coat of the mandarins of that country and adopted it as part of her wardrobe.

My lady now goes out in the evening arrayed in the gorgeous robe of the no-



A CHARMING DRESSING JACKET.

ble Chinaman, without even an alteration in its style.

Indeed the east this winter is furnishing us with the handsomest trimmings and materials seen in the sartorial world.

The charming dressing jacket illustrated was evolved from a Chinese coat. The foundation fabric is of royal blue satin, and the lining is of the same material in a deep gold shade. Around the kimono sleeves and down the front is applied heavy raised embroidery.

Altogether it is a most gorgeous and comfortable little jacket.

Powder Explosion Victims.

Johnstown, Pa., Dec. 7.—Alfred Beatty was killed and four others seriously injured by an explosion at the Conemaugh Powder works at Seward, Pa.

SET DATE FOR BRIBERY CASES

Grand Rapids Water Scandal Is to Be Aired on Jan. 11.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 22.—In the Superior court all respondents in the prosecution for bribery and conspiracy arising from Lant K. Salisbury's confession of the attempt to put through the Lake Michigan water deal who had not previously confessed to their part in the deal pleaded not guilty. Jan. 11 was settled upon as the day for beginning their trials and it was ordered that the attorneys for the various respondents should arrange for the order of trial and report on Jan. 4. Those who were charged with conspiracy demanded separate trials. The information filed in court divulged the fact that seventeen witnesses are to be used by the prosecution in the water deal cases.

WEDDING INSTEAD OF A DUEL.

Gustav Hoffman of Milwaukee Will Marry Margaretha Ruehmkoef.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—Gustav Hoffman, who challenged Editor Von Schleinitz of Der Germania to fight a duel on account of a fancied insult to his friend Margaretha Ruehmkoef of the German theater company in this city, is to marry the fair actress. The ceremony will take place just as soon as her contract with Manager Wachner's company expires, which will be in about two months. She still loves him, so she says, though she was disappointed that when he found Von Schleinitz would not fight he did not "knock his block off," which she understood was the proper thing in this country when one had been insulted.

A FACT PROVEN.

Should Convince Even the Most Skeptical of Its Truth.

If there is the slightest doubt in the minds of any that Dandruff germs do not exist, their belief is compelled by the fact that a rabbit inoculated with the germs became bald in six weeks' time. It must be apparent to any person therefore that the only prevention of baldness is the destruction of the germ—which act is successfully accomplished in one hundred per cent. of cases by the application of Newbro's Herpicide.

Dandruff is caused by the same germ which causes baldness and can be prevented with the same remedy—Newbro's Herpicide.

Accept no substitute. "Destroy the cause you remove the effect."

Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit, Mich.

People's Drug Co. and King's Pharmacy, Special Agents.

Paracamph CURES RHEUMATISM.

by reaching the seat of pain through the pores of the skin. It induces sweating, drawing out soreness and inflammation.

25c. 50c. & \$1.00 at all Druggists. QUICK RELIEF GUARANTEED.

THE PARACAMPH CO., LOUISVILLE, KY., U. S. A. For Sale by Badger Drug Co.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—State of Wisconsin, County Court for Rock County—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a regular term of the county court to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1904, being June 21st, 1904, at nine o'clock a. m., the following matters will be heard, considered and adjusted:

All claims against Elizabeth Pollock, late of the city of Janesville, in said county, deceased.

All claims must be presented for allowance to said court at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on or before the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1904, or be barred.

Dated November 16th, 1903. By the Court, J. W. SALL, County Judge.

John Cunningham, Attorney. (Enclosed 14)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—State of Wisconsin, County Court for Rock County—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the county court to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1904, being June 21st, 1904, at nine o'clock a. m., the following matters will be heard, considered and adjusted:

All claims against Adeline E. Dunbar, late of the city of Janesville, in said county, deceased.

All claims must be presented for allowance to said court at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on or before the 15th day of June, A. D. 1904, or be barred.

Dated December 15th, 1903. By the Court, J. W. SALL, County Judge.

H. McElroy, Attorney. (Enclosed 14)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—State of Wisconsin, County Court for Rock County—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the county court to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on the third Tuesday of June, A. D. 1904, being June 21st, 1904, at nine o'clock a. m., the following matters will be heard, considered and adjusted:

All claims against Jane M. Putnam, late of the city of Janesville, in said county, deceased.

All claims must be presented for allowance to said court at the court house, in the city of Janesville, in said county, on or before the 15th day of June, A. D. 1904, or be barred.

Dated December 15th, 1903. By the Court, J. W. SALL, County Judge.

Edwin F. Carpenter, Attorney for Executor. (Enclosed 14)

BORT, BAILY & CO.

10,000 Christmas Handkerchiefs.

We have just placed on sale the finest line of Christmas Handkerchiefs it has ever been our pleasure to offer the public. In addition to our usual heavy purchases we have secured the large SAMPLE LINE of one of New York's largest importers. Each one of these Handkerchiefs is separately pinned on a card board and makes an attractive present.

Prices--From 5c to \$5.00

Ladies' Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 5, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40 and 50c.

Men's Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 5, 10, 12, 15, 20, 25, 35, 40 and 50c

There are over 10,000 Handkerchiefs in the lot. We purchase for two large stores at once and purchase cheap. We confidently say that we can and will give you the best Handkerchiefs for the money of any house in the city.

BORT, BAILEY & CO.

Christmas Bargains all along the line.

E. G. HADDEN, President. F. J. RODEE, SECRETARY. E. L. BRADBURY, Chairman Board of Directors. Established 1888.

THE HADDEN-RODEE CO.

Members Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce

GRAIN, PROVISIONS, STOCKS, BONDS, COFFEE, COTTON

C. L. CUTLER, Resident Manager, Janesville, Wis. 204 Jackson Block

Both Phones 277. Private New York, Chicago, Milwaukee and Boston Wires. Private Wires North, South and West.

FINE PRINTING OF EVERY DESCRIPTION

Engraved Cards, Wedding Invitations, Announcements, Letter Heads etc., etc.

Gazette Printing Co.

JANESVILLE, : : WISCONSIN

FROM CLUE TO CLIMAX.

BY
WILL N.
HARBEN.ILLUSTRATIONS
BY PHININGAUTHOR OF
"WHITE MARIE"
"ALMOST PERSUADED"
"A MUTE CONFESSOR"
"THE LAND OF THE
CHANGING SUN" ETC.

[Copyright, 1903, by J. B. Lippincott Co.]

SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I.—Alfred Whidby discovers dead body of his uncle, Mr. Strong, with cash in the throat, and telephones for the police.

Chapter II.—Capt. Welsh, chief of police, and Detective Hendricks investigate. Blood is found on Whidby's cuff.

Chapter III.—Capt. Welsh, a lawyer, makes a friendly call. Whidby recalls (what he had not when examined by coroner) walking in his sleep during night, being awakened by stumbling over a chair, and then to a faint recollection of the incident.

Chapter IV.—Whidby learns that Strong had quarreled with a mysterious visitor the previous summer during Whidby's absence. Mysterious letters received and mayor offers reward for capture of writer.

Chapter V.—Mayor's family is concerned lest offering reward may attract murderer's attention to him. Lillian Walters (mayor's married daughter) acts strangely, claims she has seen a man climb over the fence. She had secured a revolver, but not before the man's escape.

Chapter VI.—Lillian wakes her mother in the night. She thinks the man who had seen in the murder and is fearful of his return. The mayor receives a threatening note.

Chapter VII.—Whidby fears he committed the crime under hypnotic influence. Varrington advises a consultation with Dr. Lankin, a hypnotic specialist.

Chapter VIII.—Nothing developing at Roundtree's place, police guard is withdrawn. A day or two later, Lillian, walking in garden, is met at a distance through her sleeve, Hendricks makes a careful investigation.

"Will you oblige me by writing a short note at my dictation?" Hendricks asked, pushing a chair towards the machine. "I would scratch it down with a pencil, but all the letters I send to my office are carefully filed, and they look better typewritten."

"I have a machine and a stenographer at the office," interposed Capt. Welsh; "my man will do it for you in a hurry. Surely we have no time to lose; the mayor and the ladies will feel insecure if we do not make a move pretty soon."

"I think myself, Mr. Hendricks," the mayor began, but the detective interrupted him.

"Oh, it will only take a moment. I have an addressed envelope ready in my pocket, and I can drop it in a letter-box as I go down. Take a seat, Mrs. Walters."

Lillian obeyed, with a curious upward look into his face and a touch of hesitation as she put a sheet of paper between the rollers.

"Dear Hasbrouck," Hendricks began. "Your letter received. Am engaged on important case here. Can't come this week. Will wire you later. Lady's affair must wait. Hendricks."

When Mrs. Walters had drawn the sheet from the machine and given it to the detective he turned to the mayor.

"What did you do with your old typewriter?" he asked, as he folded the letter and put it into an envelope and took a stamp from his watchcase.

"Why, I—think it is in the lumber-room," the mayor stammered. "But how did you know I had one?"

Hendricks smiled as he touched the stamp with his tongue and placed it carefully on the corner of the envelope.

"Another easy thing. Judging from its appearance this machine cannot have been in use more than a month; and Mrs. Walters writes too well to have learned within that time. I did not think it likely that she had practiced out of the house. She looks like a stay-at-home little body."

"How very simple!" the mayor exclaimed. "If only your keen sight will help us solve this mystery, we shall be all grateful."

Mrs. Roundtree seemed displeased with the delay.

"Aren't you going to do something towards protecting our house, captain?" she asked, turning to Welsh.

"Some one has attempted the life of my child. I shall go and if something is not done at once."

Capt. Welsh looked embarrassed. "The case is really in Mr. Hendricks' hands," he said awkwardly. "It is so hard to get his services, owing to his wide reputation and the demands on his time, that he is usually granted unlimited authority and—"

"He stopped for lack of words. "There is no reason why you may not place a guard round the house night and day, captain," said Hendricks, frowning slightly at Welsh's compliment. "If it allays the fears of the ladies it will serve a good purpose."

"Thank you," said Mrs. Roundtree, coldly.

"Where is your telephone, mayor?" asked Welsh.

"In the library across the hall. Show it to him, Lillian," said the mayor.

When Mrs. Roundtree heard the telephone bell ring she went into the library to hear Welsh give his orders, and Fred Walters followed her, leaving the mayor and Hendricks together.

"While they are in there, I should be glad to get a look at the grounds from a back window upstairs, if you will show me up," said the detective.

"Certainly, with pleasure," the mayor replied. "This way." And he led Hendricks up the rear steps to the floor above.

"There is a window in this servant's room," he went on, pushing a door open, "but it looks out on the side rather than the back. The old lumber room is in the rear; but you'll get all over dust if you go there."

"No matter; it won't hurt me."

When they had opened the door of the lumber-room and were making their way through dusty piles of old furniture, carpets, rugs, pictures and

broken statuary, Hendricks smiled and pointed to a typewriter on a table near the window. "See how well I guessed," he said, crossing the room and bending over the machine. "I am interested in typewriters. I had a chance to buy stock in one before they became the rage, and if I had done so I would now be too rich to have to be nosing round in other people's affairs like this. This machine was made about '85; purple and copying," he added, rubbing his finger on the ribbon and transferring the stain to his cuff. "I like the black better." Then he went to a window and carelessly looked out. "Ah!" he said; "you see how thick the woods are behind the place where we found his tracks? He could have got away very easily. Would your daughter be able to defend herself, Mr. Roundtree, in case of sudden attack?" Hendricks asked, as they came back toward the stairs. "Can she use a revolver?"

"Quite well, indeed," the mayor answered; "her husband taught her. But I don't like her to carry one. It makes her mother uneasy."

As they reached the lower floor the others were coming from the library. Welsh went out to call a cab, and Hendricks joined him. The moment the cab stopped at the door, the captain got in, but Hendricks held back. "I have left my umbrella out there," he said apologetically. "Wait a moment."

Hendricks went down the walk, and was soon hidden from view by the boxwood bushes. Five minutes passed. Welsh was impatiently wondering what had become of him, when he emerged from the shrubbery, lighting a cigar. Without a word of explanation for his delay, he got into the cab beside Welsh, and told the driver to go ahead.

"Well," said Mrs. Roundtree, as the cab drove away, "that man must be overrated, certainly. If I had not heard that he was a brilliant member of his profession, I should have said he was the most stupid man alive. I felt so irritated by his dawdling actions that I was tempted to turn my back on him. The idea of his wanting to see me, regarding notes, lecturing Robert about not hanging up a watering-pot, and using our house to write his correspondence in—and at such an awful time, too."

"I think he was unable to find a ghost of a clue," remarked Fred Walters. "He was trying to hide his disappointment by indifference. He has no doubt accomplished great things in Europe and elsewhere in this country, but anyone can see that he has met his Waterloo here."

"What did he go upstairs for?" Mrs. Walters spoke to her father in a tone that was too low for the others to hear. He had sat down at his desk several feet from where his wife and son-in-law were standing.

"To get a look at the grounds from the back windows," the mayor replied. "From the servants' room?" she asked.

"No, the lumber-room." And the mayor drew a sheet of paper toward him and began to write. He did not notice that she stared at him strangely for a moment after he had answered, and that she sat down in a rocking-chair with her back to the light, and took no part in the conversation going on between Walters and her mother.

CHAPTER IX.

Hendricks sat smoking beside Welsh all the way down town. He seemed so deeply thoughtful that Welsh was afraid to disturb him. Presently, however, Hendricks sighed, looked into the captain's expectant face, and said:

"My New York case is puzzling me. I can't make head or tail of it. It is certainly a most complicated matter. You may have read of the Sixth avenue jeweler who was found dead—"

"My God, Mr. Hendricks! pardon me," broke in Welsh, with a flash of the eyes, "but this is really going too far. Surely you don't realize my position. I have taken it on myself to employ you with the city's money, and—surely this is no time to be talking of other cases."

Hendricks stared in surprise, blushed, and threw away his cigar. The cab was slowing up at Welsh's office. Hendricks said nothing until they were inside and he had closed the door; then he coolly lighted another cigar and went out.

"You must pardon me, really, captain, but I have always worked with men who understood my awkward ways. They usually let me alone; and I forgot that you don't know my methods. I am a great economist of time when I am in thinking trim, and, as I had already arrived at the only conclusion possible in your case, at least at this stage, I was working on the other matter I mentioned."

"Conclusion? What conclusion?" cried Welsh.

"Why, I thought you were following me step by step, up at the mayor's; though now I do recall that you made one or two proposals that rather seemed to indicate a lack of proper caution."

"Why, I saw absolutely nothing," replied Welsh. "To be frank, I thought you were helplessly stumped, and was simply trying to kill time and make a favorable impression on the ladies."

"I was trying to be agreeable, Welsh! I confess it. That's my style. It makes an unpleasant job pleasanter to all concerned. If you ever have to hand cuff a woman, tell her she has pretty wrists, and she won't mind it half as much."

"I am at sea," said Welsh, "and completely overboard."

Hendricks leaned back, threw his feet on a desk and chewed the end of his cigar. "I did not expect to find what I discovered up there," he said, musingly, "but when I once got started the whole chain of circumstances began to unfold, and was so easy to follow that I felt as if I were playing with a toy. I could have kicked myself for having to appear to take it all so seriously. I was tempted to make a joke of it. When I was half through, I wanted to throw down my hand and say: 'Look here, I hold so and so, and I'll bet my reputation you haven't a thing!'"

"I'm still in deep water," said Welsh. "I saw the bullet hole, her tracks, the fellow's tracks, and that was all. The nervousness of the ladies and the mayor's anxiety absorbed me."

"I did not go there to sympathize with anyone," answered the detective. "I was looking for facts. But follow me now, and draw your own conclusions as we go. Well, what was the first incongruous thing that happened after we arrived? Why, if you remember, Mrs. Walters said she was sure she heard the report before she felt the ball pass through her sleeve. The distance was about 100 yards, and all the difference was noticeable at all it would have been, scientifically, you know, exactly the reverse."

"But surely," protested Welsh, "you'd hardly expect an excited woman to be correct about such a minor detail as that?"

"Mrs. Walters was not excited," Hendricks answered. "You must have noticed that. If she had been, I should not have made a point there. However, that was only a little thing to start from. But it was sufficient, as I found out later. The next thing I did was to examine the hole in her sleeve. What did I do that for? To find out if it were made by a bullet. It was rather too dark in the house to see well, but out in the sunlight I got another look. I saw that it really was a bullet hole. I noticed a few black specks on the cloth, but, without being openly impertinent, I could not decide whether they had been caused by powder or soot, for the gown was gray."

"At that distance? Who ever heard of—"

"Hold on! not so fast! Ah, I see you are not following me; but you'll catch on in a moment, so let's continue. She next showed us her tracks. Did you notice how deep and distinct they were? It was the first thing that struck me. Her mother is twice as heavy as she is, and stood in the same sort of soil, but her feet made hardly any impressions. Don't forget that I marked the spot where Mrs. Walters stood with my umbrella; after that, you know, we went over to the fence. There is a minor point here in Mrs. Walters being the first to see the footprints beyond the fence, but we will pass that, and come to the footprints themselves. Did you notice nothing remarkable about them, captain? No? Well, in all my experience I never saw such comical footprints. I was tempted to laugh outright, but it would have spoiled everything, so I smothered my amusement."

"I saw nothing remarkable about them," said Capt. Welsh, impatiently.

"They were made, captain, by men's slippers, a number ten, with very thin soles. The heels had been well pressed down into the soft clay, and so were the middle parts of the soles, but the thin edges all round had turned up so easily that only a faint impression of the bottom was left."

"What did you deduce from that?" asked Welsh, still perplexed.

"That they were worn by feet not half large enough for them, though they had doubtless been drawn on over a pair of boots. I saw by the shape of the track that the right one had come off once as the wearer drew it from the mud."

"Ah! curious!" exclaimed the captain; "but I don't yet see what you are driving at, though I think you suspect—but how could you? Why—"

"But that is not all," the detective went on, smiling. "You remember, perhaps, that I asked if it had rained out there recently. Well, I was trying to account, since there had not been any rain lately, for that naturally dry spot of clay being soft enough to have received such distinct footprints. On close examination, I detected the faint semicircular mark of a vessel in the edge of the grass, and, at exactly the right distance from it, a spot where a little water had trickled down from the spout on the clay."

"Ah, the watering-pot!" cried Welsh. "Wonderful! wonderful! Now I know what all that rignurle to the garden meant!"

[To be Continued.]

Don't neglect a Cough, Take Pink's Cure for Consumption in Time. All druggists.

and threw away his cigar. The cab was slowing up at Welsh's office. Hendricks said nothing until they were inside and he had closed the door; then he coolly lighted another cigar and went out.

"You must pardon me, really, captain, but I have always worked with men who understood my awkward ways. They usually let me alone; and I forgot that you don't know my methods. I am a great economist of time when I am in thinking trim, and, as I had already arrived at the only conclusion possible in your case, at least at this stage, I was working on the other matter I mentioned."

"Conclusion? What conclusion?" cried Welsh.

"Why, I thought you were following me step by step, up at the mayor's; though now I do recall that you made one or two proposals that rather seemed to indicate a lack of proper caution."

"Why, I saw absolutely nothing," replied Welsh. "To be frank, I thought you were helplessly stumped, and was simply trying to kill time and make a favorable impression on the ladies."

"I was trying to be agreeable, Welsh! I confess it. That's my style. It makes an unpleasant job pleasanter to all concerned. If you ever have to hand cuff a woman, tell her she has pretty wrists, and she won't mind it half as much."

"I am at sea," said Welsh, "and completely overboard."

Hendricks leaned back, threw his feet on a desk and chewed the end of his cigar. "I did not expect to find what I discovered up there," he said, musingly, "but when I once got started the whole chain of circumstances began to unfold, and was so easy to follow that I felt as if I were playing with a toy. I could have kicked myself for having to appear to take it all so seriously. I was tempted to make a joke of it. When I was half through, I wanted to throw down my hand and say: 'Look here, I hold so and so, and I'll bet my reputation you haven't a thing!'"

"I'm still in deep water," said Welsh. "I saw the bullet hole, her tracks, the fellow's tracks, and that was all. The nervousness of the ladies and the mayor's anxiety absorbed me."

"I did not go there to sympathize with anyone," answered the detective. "I was looking for facts. But follow me now, and draw your own conclusions as we go. Well, what was the first incongruous thing that happened after we arrived? Why, if you remember, Mrs. Walters said she was sure she heard the report before she felt the ball pass through her sleeve. The distance was about 100 yards, and all the difference was noticeable at all it would have been, scientifically, you know, exactly the reverse."

"But surely," protested Welsh, "you'd hardly expect an excited woman to be correct about such a minor detail as that?"

"Mrs. Walters was not excited," Hendricks answered. "You must have noticed that. If she had been, I should not have made a point there. However, that was only a little thing to start from. But it was sufficient, as I found out later. The next thing I did was to examine the hole in her sleeve. What did I do that for? To find out if it were made by a bullet. It was rather too dark in the house to see well, but out in the sunlight I got another look. I saw that it really was a bullet hole. I noticed a few black specks on the cloth, but, without being openly impertinent, I could not decide whether they had been caused by powder or soot, for the gown was gray."

"At that distance? Who ever heard of—"

"Hold on! not so fast! Ah, I see you are not following me; but you'll catch on in a moment, so let's continue. She next showed us her tracks. Did you notice how deep and distinct they were? It was the first thing that struck me. Her mother is twice as heavy as she is, and stood in the same sort of soil, but her feet made hardly any impressions. Don't forget that I marked the spot where Mrs. Walters stood with my umbrella; after that, you know, we went over to the fence. There is a minor point here in Mrs. Walters being the first to see the footprints beyond the fence, but we will pass that, and come to the footprints themselves. Did you notice nothing remarkable about them, captain? No? Well, in all my experience I never saw such comical footprints. I was tempted to laugh outright, but it would have spoiled everything, so I smothered my amusement."

"I saw nothing remarkable about them," said Capt. Welsh, impatiently.

"They were made, captain, by men's slippers, a number ten, with very thin soles. The heels had been well pressed down into the soft clay, and so were the middle parts of the soles, but the thin edges all round had turned up so easily that only a faint impression of the bottom was left."

"What did you deduce from that?" asked Welsh, still perplexed.

"That they were worn by feet not half large enough for them, though they had doubtless been drawn on over a pair of boots. I saw by the shape of the track that the right one had come off once as the wearer drew it from the mud."

"Ah! curious!" exclaimed the captain; "but I don't yet see what you are driving at, though I think you suspect—but how could you? Why—"

"But that is not all," the detective went on, smiling. "You remember, perhaps, that I asked if it had rained out there recently. Well, I was trying to account, since there had not been any rain lately, for that naturally dry spot of clay being soft enough to have received such distinct footprints. On close examination, I detected the faint semicircular mark of a vessel in the edge of the grass, and, at exactly the right distance from it, a spot where a little water had trickled down from the spout on the clay."

"Ah, the watering-pot!" cried Welsh. "Wonderful! wonderful! Now I know what all that rignurle to the garden meant!"

[To be Continued.]

Don't neglect a Cough, Take Pink's Cure for Consumption in Time. All druggists.

THE LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEER.

His Sweetheart's Red Hair Acted as a Signal in Time of Danger.

A locomotive engineer should be one of the most truthful of men. That's why this little story of a southern engineer should be believed implicitly.

"You may talk as you please about red-headed women," he was saying to a group of listeners, "but a red-headed woman saved my life and established a home for herself all at once. I was 23 then and running a freight on the Chesapeake & Ohio in the West Virginia mountains, where it took talent to run an engine. My division ended at Hinton and a red-headed girl lived six miles to the east, where there was a siding near a big cut and fill, and it was a bad place, as the road was new."

"The girl's name was Maggie Conroy and she had the reddest head I ever saw on a human being's shoulders outside of a torchlight procession. But I didn't care for that and I did care for Maggie. One sunny day I was coming down the track with a stock train loaded with some extra fine cattle and sheep and I had in the caboose three of the owners. It had been raining and wash-outs were looked for, but I hadn't seen any and was bowling along at a good speed when all of a sudden at the curve I thought I saw a red light rising just above the track. It seemed to shine like a blaze in the track and before I took time for a thought I had shut off the steam, whistled, down, the brakes and was doing my best to stop."

"Right then my fireman gave me the ha ha in a way to chill the blood in the veins of a man who can't stand teasing and I took a look forward and found that the red light I thought I saw was only Maggie's head of red hair sticking up in advance as she pulled herself up the steep embankment to get on to the track. With an oath I opened everything again, but as I did so Maggie threw up her hands and dropped in a dead faint by the track and I stopped off everything again, for I felt sure that something was wrong. I had half an hour or so leeway between trains and I took Maggie up as quickly as I could to find out what was the matter. She came around mighty soon, because she had fainted from overexertion, and she told me how a big bowlder had fallen on the track in a curve near her house that I wouldn't have seen till it was too late to stop and she had run across the spur of the mountain to stop me in time if she could."

"That's what she was trying to do when her red head shone like a danger signal and stopped me. Later the owners of the stock gave her money enough to buy a nice little house at Hinton and six months later I moved in. We've got the house yet, but we don't live in it," concluded the engineer, "for it wasn't big enough for a family of six children and not a red-headed one in the lot."

Washington, Dec. 22.—The civil service commission, during the year, gave 654 examinations to 112,024 applicants, resulting in 39,940 appointments, against 12,391 in the preceding year.

Jury Disagrees.

Hodford, Ind., Dec. 22.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Corn Weeks, who has been on trial charged with killing Mrs. Susanna Ireland, her aged mother, was unable to agree on a verdict.

Shoots His Brother.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Charles Roman, 16 years old, son of E. W. Roman, a well-known attorney, accidentally shot and killed his brother Frank, aged 12, at their home.

Diamonds, and Fine Watches, Beautiful Gifts.

S. C. BURNHAM & CO.

C. M. & St. Paul Ry.

Homeseekers' Excursions via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.

One fare plus \$2 for the round trip, effective first and third Tuesday of each month from December 1903 to April 1904, inclusive. Dates of sale December 1 and 15, 1903; January 5 and 19, 1904. For details apply to agents of the C. M. & St. P. Ry.

To Colorado and California via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

Double daily train service is now offered from Chicago to Colorado and to California via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul-Union Pacific line. Through standard and tourist sleepers are operated between Chicago and San Francisco; and through standard sleepers and reclining chair cars between Chicago and Denver.

The new service to Colorado includes a train that is on the road only one night, leaving Chicago 9:45 a. m., reaching Denver early the next afternoon.

Descriptive folders and booklets from any ticket agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, or F. A. Miller, general passenger agent, Chicago.

Holiday Excursions via the C. M. & St. P. Ry.

For the Christmas and New Year holidays excursion tickets will be sold to all points within a distance of 200 miles at a fare and one-third for the round trip, December 24, 25 and 31, 1903 and January 1, 1904, limited to return up to and including January 4th, 1904. For other information apply to ticket agent C. M. & St. P. Ry.

Half Rates to Portland, Oregon, and Return.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold Jan. 6 to 9, inclusive, with very favorable return limits, on account of convention of National Live Stock Association. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western Ry.

Pain Weakens

And Destroys the Nerves.

Do you know that pain is simply the nerves crying for help?

Has it ever occurred to you that pain weakens and destroys the nervous system?

For this reason you should not promptly in every case of headache, backache, stomach ache, neuralgia, rheumatism, neuralgia, toothache, and all other pains.

Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills will relieve pain almost instantly, because they act in a natural and harmless manner upon the nerve tissues, and relieve the conditions which cause the pain.

While very prompt and effective in their action, they do not affect the bowels in the least, are perfectly harmless, and leave no disagreeable after-effects.

Delicate women who suffer from headache, bearing-down and backache, can use them with impunity.

You may also give them to children with the assurance that while they will relieve, they cannot possibly harm.

"Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills never fail to cure headache, pain in back of neck, cold pains, neuralgia, or in fact any pain. I have taken them with best results, and have given them to others; they never disappoint."

CHAS. H. HUBBARD, Milford Center, Ohio.

25 doses for 25 cents. Never sold in bulk. If first package fails to benefit, your money back.

FREE Write to us for Free Trial Package of Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills, the New Scientific Remedy for all pains. Also Symptom Blank. Our Special will diagnose your case, tell you what is wrong, and how to right it.

LABORATORIES, ELKHART, IND.

Risks of Railway Men.

During the last fiscal year one in every 401 railway employees was killed and one in every twenty-four injured.

OPPOSES SANTA CLAUS MYTH

Catholic Children Should Be Told the Truth.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Bishop Patrick A. Linnell of the Catholic diocese of Syracuse, vigorously condemns the teaching of the Santa Claus myth to children. "The habit people have of teaching children to run after a myth like Santa Claus cannot be too vigorously condemned," he said.

"They should be taught the real meaning of the day. Instead of filling the children with the idea of Santa Claus they should be inspired with the love of the Savior and the true significance of the day."

Wants Flying Machine.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The United States government wants the flying machine invented by Orville and Wilbur Wright, the Dayton, O., brothers who made a successful test of their invention at Kitty Hawk, N. C.

Civil Service Tests.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The civil service commission, during the year, gave 654 examinations to 112,024 applicants, resulting in 39,940 appointments, against 12,391 in the preceding year.

Jury Disagrees.

Hodford, Ind., Dec. 22.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Corn Weeks, who has been on trial charged with killing Mrs. Susanna Ireland, her aged mother, was unable to agree on a verdict.

Shoots His Brother.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Charles Roman, 16 years old, son of E. W. Roman, a well-known attorney, accidentally shot and killed his brother Frank, aged 12, at their home.

Diamonds, and Fine Watches, Beautiful Gifts.

S. C. BURNHAM & CO.

